

Parking chaos sparks safety concerns as schools go back

by Trevor Bevins

THOUSANDS of Dorset children are back at school this week – bringing with them the persistent problems of poor and often illegal parking in and around residential roads.

On the first day back roads were clogged,

parking on pavements was common – even zig-zag lines by school crossings were ignored.

At Westfield School in Weymouth there were

queues in and out of the site, much of it caused by cars on double yellow lines; at Bincombe Valley what was supposed to be a turning circle was

turned into a car park and outside Dorchester Middle School and nearby Thomas Hardy School cars were also on pavements and zig zag lines.

At Radipole, as lollipop man Gordan celebrated his 80th birthday

with a cake and best wishes from pupils, parents had blocked the lane with poor parking – causing a 10-minute delay for some trying to use the through route.

Dorset schools campaigner and former Ofsted Inspector Margaret Morrissey, from Dorchester, says the fact that nothing ever seems to be done to tackle the problem is deplorable – and a danger to children.

“This is an issue I have worked on for more than 20 years – an issue which gets more difficult every year. It’s very hard to resolve with schools which were built before most families would ever have had a car.”

She points out that even the simplest measures have not been taken by councils in some areas – few Dorset schools have a 20mph zone, or traffic calming, and even where they exist the Police rarely take enforcement action.

View from Dorchester witnessed two mothers, in the space of less than five minutes, pull up on zig zag lines outside Dorchester Middle School in Coburg Road to drop their children. One then stayed, blocking one of the school gates, while she used her phone.

Mrs Morrissey also accuses the county council

of missing opportunities to make improvements – citing the school now being built at Poundbury to replace Damers Road School, where many objectors at the planning stage pointed to the lack of suitable parking.

There are also likely to be problems at another Dorchester school, St Osmund’s Middle, where a planned extension has been criticised by neighbours and parents. Residents in Barnes Way point out that despite a planned increase in pupils from 600 to 720 – there are no proposals at all for additional parking spaces.

Many have logged formal objections.

A spokesman for the county council admitted there were no plans for additional parking adding: “The Highways Authority have been consulted on the proposals and have not raised an objection subject to all reference to the pedestrian crossing being removed and the provision of a revised Travel Plan being submitted.”

Mrs Morrissey, founder of the Parents Out Loud group, says she does appreciate the difficulties, but says more thought ought to

be given at each school to pupil safety.

She said: “We have to be realistic. Parents do drive to school and it is often decided by weather; other small children in the family, and those parents who need to get to work immediately after leaving their children in school.”

The county council say they will react to safety concerns where issues are raised by the school, or parents, and say they do their best to stick to the guidelines of the Safer Routes to School initiative and individual school Travel Plans.



■ JUST one example of poor parking outside Weymouth's schools, with this car parked on pavement outside Westfield Arts College

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AM-DRAM fan Sarah Causley runs the Hunter's Lodge Inn, just outside Lyme Regis, with husband Neville, and they have two grown up sons.
As producer/director of Lyme Regis Pantomime Society, she is currently preparing for next year's production of 'Robinson Crusoe'. She is also a member of the musical theatre groups in both Lyme and Bridport, and has recently retired as leader and trainer of the Axminster-based Karizma Majorettes.

● HOW did you and Neville come to run the Hunter's Lodge?

Neville has been in catering all his life after starting out in The Alexandra Hotel when he was just 16. He built up his experience in a number of local hotels and restaurants before being offered the chance to manage the Cobb Arms in 2011. At this time our children were both very young so I didn't play a role in the pub. However, when the opportunity arose to move to the Hunter's Lodge in 2013 we decided to take the challenge.

● WHAT do you enjoy about running the pub and restaurant?

I had no previous experience at all of working in a pub or restaurant and I never realised the commitment it would entail; I don't know anyone with a life quite like ours – because it is a way of life as opposed to a job. But I love people and I love talking! No two days are the same; you never know who is going to step through the door and that's what makes it so interesting.

The most satisfying part of our life here is the feedback we get from customers; We have worked really hard over our 13 years here to improve our business and, ultimately, to try to ensure everyone who steps inside has a great experience.

● WHAT does your role with Lyme Regis Pantomime Society entail?

I am the producer/director of Lyme Regis Pantomime Society and I also share the choreography with my friend (and chairperson) Amanda Rattenbury. There is a huge amount of work that goes into staging each show, and also fundraising throughout the year to be able to afford those special touches which make it just a little bit better, such as pyrotechnics and great sound and lighting.

We are fortunate enough to have an amazing team of enthusiastic committee, members and volunteers. My role basically involves bringing all these people and ideas together to work effectively, thus ensuring we are able to bring a top quality amateur show to audiences in our little Theatre by the Sea.

● NEXT year's panto is 'Robinson Crusoe' - what can the audience expect from this production?

The panto is a fast-paced, swashbuckling adventure which sees our hero, Robinson, take to the high seas



in search of treasure which his father buried on a distant Island some 20 years previously. He battles storms, evil forces and pirates to eventually find his fortune and return home to wed his sweetheart Kathie. It features all the slapstick and comedy and you would expect from a traditional panto, not forgetting the characters we all love such as the charismatic panto dame and the loveable village idiot.

● IS there still time to get involved?

Yes! Although auditions for main characters took place yesterday we are still really keen to welcome new members to our Chorus; I always maintain the chorus is a great place to start if you have never taken part in a show before but would like to try.

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The support of the other people in the chorus gives you confidence and you get to enjoy the thrill of performing without the worry about having to remember lines or sing on your own!

We are also always keen to hear from people who would be interested in helping backstage, or with the building of set/scenery. Palmers Brewery have been kind enough in the past few years to allow Micheala Demkiw, Lorraine Knowles and I to use the empty skittle alley at the Angel Inn to paint our scenery in through the winter months. However, with plans for regeneration on the cards there, we are not sure how much longer we are able to use it so we are seeking somewhere dry, and preferably with electricity where we could paint – we'd love to hear from anyone who would help us.

● WHAT do you enjoy about being part of the pantomime society?

I love that fact that whilst, ultimately, we are all working to put on the best amateur show we possibly can, rehearsals are relaxed and fun; let's face it, we all have busy, stressful lives and this is something we choose to do in our spare time, to take our minds off these pressures just for a while. I have been fortunate enough to make some wonderful friends, and I truly feel that we are just one big, happy panto family

● ARE you a member of any other local groups?

I am proud to be a member of the Lyme Regis Musical Theatre group. I joined in 2015 when they were staging "Evita" as I was bored after panto finished. Although I was slightly nervous about joining, I was made to feel so welcome by the existing members, and I have made some great friends here as well. I absolutely loved playing Mary Patrick in their production of "Sister Act" in May and I am looking forward to taking part in "Thoroughly Modern Millie" next year.

Most recently I joined the musical theatre group in Bridport after I watched my son Harvey, who took part in "West Side Story" with them last year, and was blown away by the acting, singing and general professionalism of the production. I played a small part in their production of "Crazy For You" a couple of weeks ago, which was a fabulous experience with a standing ovation on the first night!

● DO you have any other hobbies?

I like to try and keep fit – I enjoy Zumba, Fitsteps and line dancing, as well as pilates. I also love cooking. I am hoping that now both our boys are grown up that I might try and slow down a bit and find time to relax – I don't hold out much hope though!

● WHAT do you like about the local area?

I feel very fortunate to have spent my childhood in Lyme Regis. I have to remind myself sometimes how lucky we all are; Nev and I don't get away often, but whenever we have, we can't help comparing other places to Lyme – and nowhere has ever really come close. The nicest thing about a small town like ours is knowing you will always bump into someone you know and be able to chat and put the world to rights.

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Police make arrest after four injured in crash

A MAN has been arrested in connection with a serious injury collision in Weymouth.

The 19-year-old local man was arrested on suspicion of driving offences and has been released on police bail pending further enquiries until mid-October 2016.

Police were called at around 8.30pm on Sunday, September 4th to reports of a serious injury collision between a black BMW 320 and a black Volkswagen Golf in Preston Beach Road.

A 17-year-old girl, believed to be the front seat passenger in the BMW, was cut out of the vehicle by the fire service and air lifted to Southampton Hospital for treatment with serious life-threatening injuries.

The 19-year-old male driver and 17-year-old male rear seat passenger of the BMW suffered minor injuries and were taken to Dorset County Hospital for treatment.

The 59-year-old female driver of the Golf also suffered a serious, non-life threatening neck injury and was taken to Dorset County Hospital.

Officers investigating the collision are still appealing for any witnesses to the incident to get in contact.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Dorset Police at www.dorset.police.uk, via email 101@dorset.pnn.police.uk or by calling 101, quoting incident number 4:336.

Alternatively contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555111 or via www.crimestoppers-uk.org.



Friends party in the park

WEYMOUTH and Portland Deputy Mayor Councillor Kevin Brookes (left) has a go on the tombola run by David Pearce

A TRAIN, stalls, raffles and live music formed part of a special celebration in Weymouth's Radipole Park and Gardens.

The event was organised to mark the 10th anniversary of the formation of the Friends group and the opening of the new Alexander Bridge.

Friends chairman David Pearce said: "We had a children's train ride on 50 metres of track, live music, two tombolas, the Amberlight Majorettes, home-made cakes and bric-a-brac.

"We decided to hold a special event to mark our anniversary and that of the bridge with all funds going towards our bid for £1million worth of Lottery funding to transform the park with toilets, a cafe, improved drainage, a new skateboard park and updated footpaths.

"Everyone rallied round despite the weather and we are very grateful for all the support we received."

Lead stolen from school roof again

POLICE officers investigating a theft of lead from a school on Portland are asking witnesses and anyone with information to come forward.

During an inspection of Brackenbury Infants School on Three Yards Close on Monday, August 22nd, it was discovered that half of the lead of one of the roofs had been stolen, with the remaining amount cut up ready to be taken away.

It is unknown when this theft happened, although it is thought it occurred sometime in August.

Police Constable Kevin Miller, of Weymouth and Portland police, said: "The same school was victim of

another lead theft in May this year. The cost of this was in excess of £5,000.

"I am appealing for any witnesses who have seen suspicious activity around the school throughout August to come forward."

"Anyone with information about those responsible should contact us as soon as possible."

Anyone with information is asked to contact Dorset Police at www.dorset.police.uk, via email 101@dorset.pnn.police.uk or by calling 101, quoting incident number 22:186.

Alternatively contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555111.

Museum to take part in heritage weekend

WEYMOUTH Museum is taking part in the Dorset Architectural Heritage Weekend which starts tomorrow (Thursday, 8th) and runs until Monday, September 12th.

It will be offering free entry to visitors from 10.30am-4pm on Saturday, September 10th in order to encourage the local community to visit the museum, which is found on the first floor of Brewers Quay in Hope Square.

The museum illustrates the local history of Weymouth and includes a display about the origins of Groves Brewery, all contained in a building which itself is a landmark structure.

Search for wanted man

DETECTIVES are appealing for help to locate a man who is wanted for breaching his licence conditions.

Jordan Thomas McClay, 26 and of Weymouth, was released from prison on Tuesday, August 2nd after serving part of a four-month prison sentence for harassment.

Since then Jordan has failed to comply with the requirements of his licence to live and sleep at an address in Weymouth. He is now wanted by police.

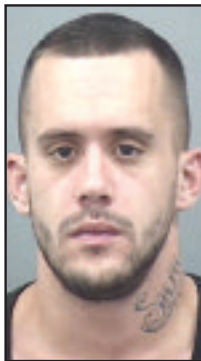
Detective Superintendent Chris Naughton, of Dorset Police, said: "I am releasing a photo of Jordan McClay in the hope that someone will know of his whereabouts.

"We have information to suggest that McClay was in the Bournemouth area until Saturday, September 3rd.

"While we have no information that Jordan presents a direct risk to the public, anyone who sees Jordan should not approach him but immediately contact Dorset Police on 999."

McClay is described as white, of medium build, five feet seven inches tall and with short dark brown hair and a tattoo on his neck and arms.

Detective Superintendent Naughton continued: "I'd like to assure members of the public that officers are making every effort to find this man as soon as possible."



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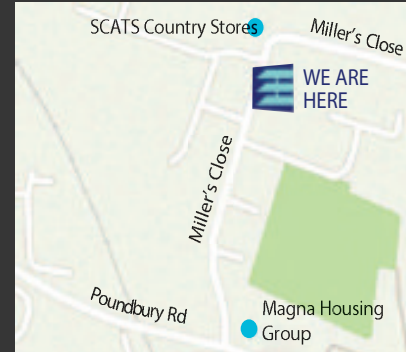
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Petition launched to end badger culls

THE Dorset Wildlife Trust (DWT) is supporting an online petition initiated by The Wildlife Trusts' President Emeritus, Simon King OBE, calling for the withdrawal of Government licenses to cull badgers, particularly in Dorset.

This follows the recent announcement that further culls have been given the go ahead in parts of Cornwall, Gloucestershire, Herefordshire, Devon, Somerset and Dorset.

The trust says that badger culling is a deeply flawed method for controlling the spread of bovine tuberculosis disease in cattle.

The charity, which has its own herd of cattle in West Dorset, believes that alternative methods, such as badger vaccination in the short-term, implementing effective bio-security on farms, and in the long-term vaccinating cattle, are more viable alternatives to culling badgers.

DWT Chief Executive, Dr Simon Cripps said: "As owners of livestock ourselves, we have every sympathy with farmers who lose cattle as a result of bovine tuberculosis, however culling badgers is not the way to solve this problem and the Government know it.

"Dorset's wildlife and our county's farmers are both too important for Government to be issuing this wrong and ill-conceived advice, and so deserve better. Not only is the Government not giving advice based on sound, credible science, they are building up expectations that this could succeed and causing serious divisions within communities."

Dr Cripp continued: "Through the petition we are calling on the Government to stick to evidence-based decisions, to stop wasting public money on something that performs no public service, and to give genuine support to the farming industry and wildlife by implementing a cattle vaccine and associated trade agreements just as other countries have done. There is overwhelming support from rural and urban communities for stopping this cull and the bad advice that needlessly perpetuates it."

However, Farming minister George Eustice has said the cull is delivering results.

He said: "Our comprehensive strategy to eradicate bovine TB in England is delivering results, with more than half the country on track to be free of the disease by the end of this parliament.

"Bovine TB has a devastating impact on farms, which is why we are taking strong action to eradicate this disease, including tighter cattle controls,



■ THE Dorset Wildlife Trust is supporting a petition launched to prevent further badger culls. Photo copyright Wildstock

improved biosecurity and badger control measures in areas where the disease is rife.

"The veterinary advice and the experience of other countries is clear – we will not be able to eradicate this disease unless we also tackle the reservoir of the disease in the badger population as well as cattle."

The Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs reports that bovine TB costs taxpayers £100million every year and England has the highest incidence of the disease in Europe.

It states that in 2015 alone, more than 28,000 cattle had to be slaughtered in England to control the disease, causing devastation and distress for farmers and rural communities.

Nigel Gibbens, the UK's chief veterinary officer, said: "Action to prevent infection of cattle from significant reservoirs of TB infection in local badger populations is an essential part of the government's 25-year strategy to eradicate bovine TB in England.

"Proactive badger control is currently the best available option and the licensing of further areas is necessary to realise disease control benefits at regional rather than at local levels."

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More than 800 premises in 31 areas have just been added to the Superfast Dorset roll-out plans for next year as a result of the high take up and efficiencies in delivery, which together are worth more than £1 million.

Areas which are set to benefit include Kimmeridge, Moreton, Sydling St Nicholas, Up Cerne and Minterne Magna.

Dorset County Council Cabinet Member for Economy and Growth, Colin Jamieson, said: "Under its initial contract with BT the Superfast Dorset programme receives a refund if take-up reaches a certain point. As this has been achieved, the money will be used to extend the network to areas previously outside the planned coverage area, which is great news."

"Investing public money in fibre broadband helps sustain our rural communities and maintains Dorset's competitive edge as a business destination. It also allows homeowners to do things that need a faster internet connection like accessing skills and learning, entertainment and other social connections."

Grant Munn, BT programme manager for Superfast Dorset, said: "The Superfast Dorset programme is going from strength to strength. We are seeing strong take-up of fibre broadband across the county and this is helping us reach even more communities."

"BT is committed to rolling out this transformational technology as far as possible. Fibre broadband offers tremendous opportunities whether you are a local business seeking to attract new customers and work more efficiently, a student carrying out online research or a household using the technology for entertainment and social media purposes."

To check if your home or business can get fibre broadband visit www.dorsetforyou.com/superfast

Volunteers needed for Great British Beach Clean

PEOPLE along the Dorset coast passionate about their beaches are being encouraged to take part in the Great British Beach Clean this year as volunteer numbers dwindle.

The Marine Conservation Society (MCS) is joining forces with two south west environmental charities to boost its autumn beach cleaning initiative in Dorset.

The Great British Beach Clean – from September 16th to September 19th – annually attracts thousands of volunteers who help clean hundreds of beaches all around the UK, but in Dorset last year, only nine beaches were cleaned by less than 200 volunteers.

This year MCS has teamed up with Litter Free Coast and Sea, a small community campaign, to reduce beach litter and improve water quality in Dorset and East Devon, and the local Surfers

Against Sewage (SAS) representative for Dorset, Jess Bone.

Lauren Eyles, MCS beachwatch manager, said: "We are really keen to see more volunteers out on Dorset beaches in 2016 and we would like to see more beaches in the county being cleaned too."

"Last year, our volunteers collected more than 4,000 items of litter from just nine beaches."

"With the country relying heavily on tourism, it is vital that beaches are litter free to ensure visitors return again and again to its many beautiful coastal areas."

"We would love to see people heading to the Dorset coastline and helping clean up the county's beaches."

"Last year nine beaches were cleaned in Dorset and we would like that figure to rise in 2016, so please get in touch if you fancy either running a beach clean or helping at one."

Natalie Poulter, from Litter Free Coast and Sea, says that Dorset's communities previously had a great track record for getting involved in taking care of the county's beaches.

She said: "In April more than 800 people took part in the Great Dorset Beach Clean and we would love even more to join in this September for the Great British Beach Clean."

"We are working with partner organisations and community groups to cover as many beaches as possible, so there are plenty of options to find a beach near you."

"There is always room to add more though, so anyone wanting to run a beach clean on site not currently listed should go to the MCS to register a new event."

To get involved in the Great British Beach Clean visit www.mcusk.org/beachwatch or call 01989 566017.

Council flies the flag for Merchant Navy



■ A FLAG was raised on Saturday to mark Merchant Navy Day.

Weymouth & Portland Borough Council raised the Red Ensign at the Cenotaph Flag Pole at the Pier Bandstand on the seafront to raise awareness of the UK's ongoing dependence on Merchant Navy seafarers.

Councillor Richard Kosior, Weymouth & Portland Mayor, raised the flag and was joined by local Merchant Navy veterans, their families and friends as well as other councillors.

Councillor Kosior said: "It's an honour to have the opportunity to raise the Red Ensign on Merchant Navy Day to show the borough's appreciation for all the hard work the Merchant Navy does for the UK."

"The Merchant Navy Association are one of my chosen charities for the year, alongside MV Freedom."

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RANDY Hiscock with his heavy horse Donhead Hall Anastasia

Record breaking show draws

By Claire Vera

RECORD breaking exhibit numbers gave Dorset County Show visitors plenty to see over the weekend – with crowds returning on Sunday after torrential rain meant an early exit for many on Saturday.

The show took on a slightly different shape this year, with a reorganisation of the ground and a new artisan shopping tent.

The homecraft and horticultural tents showed off an impres-

sive array of local talent.

Another likely record-breaker was what is believed to be the first time monkey nuts have been entered in a UK agricultural show. Keen allotment owner Richard Field and his daughter Bethany, from Poole, entered their nuts for the show's "Any Other Vegetables" section. The monkey nuts have been

grown in potting compost, at 70f, for three months in their allotment poly-tunnel. The nuts were allowed entry because they're part of the pea family.

Chairman of the horticulture section, Robin Pitcher said: "I can confirm that this is a first for the Dorset County Show, we've never had anything as unusual as this."

Among the many animals at this year's show, the heavy horses were a big attraction.

Randy Hiscock from Shaftesbury demonstrated the traditional way to dress a horse's tail using straw: "We're taking the long tail up and we tie it back. Back in the 18th century they used this technique to show off the hind quarters in order to sell the horses. Sixty per cent of the power of the horse comes from the rear end, and so it is showing off the engine of the horse to the perspective buyer," he said.

Sadly rabbit fans were left disappointed as the rabbit tent was missing the furry friends due to

the spread of the RHD2 virus, which is deadly to the creatures and has been recorded less than 50 miles away. The disease can be transferred by dogs and humans and so it was decided to keep the rabbits away from the show this year.

Dorset County Show Vice Chairman Rebecca Hill said: "We've had a really successful show. We worked really hard with the shopping this year. We moved it from the top of the hill, as some people found it harder to get up to the top, and we've created a new artisan tent. The heavy horse section has been great and we've had very positive feedback."



TAYLOR Robertshaw with PC Karl Whitaker



REBECCA Hill is Vice Chairman of the Show

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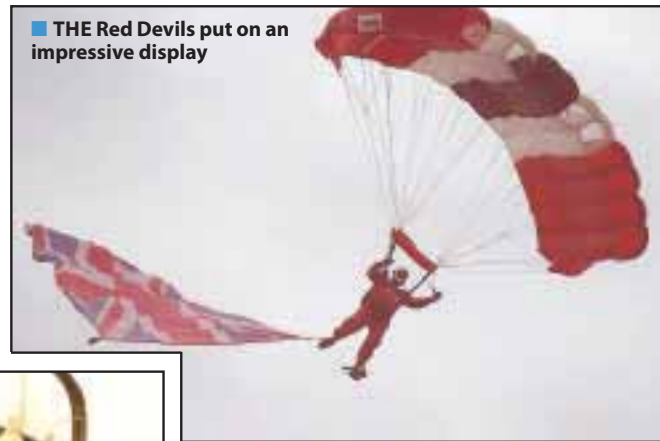
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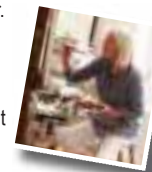
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Extra trips for Southill community bus

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The enhanced CB2 service started on Monday September 5th with additional journeys in the middle of the day.

This will fill the gap left by the South West Coaches service 215, which has ended as a result of the county council's need to save £1.5m on subsidised public transport. The council will use its existing vehicle and driver for the extended CB2 timetable.

The service runs between Field Barn Drive in Southill and Weymouth town centre, stopping at Morrisons and Asda supermarkets.

Adult single fares cost between £1 and £2, while concessionary bus passes are valid for free travel on all trips. Children under five travel free, while there are reduced fares for those between six and 16.

The bus already provides travel to work and training, leaving Southill at 8am and returning from Weymouth at 5.30pm.

The extra buses will leave Southill at 11am and 2pm and return from Weymouth at 11.35am and 2.35pm.

Onward travel to Dorchester and Portland is also available by connecting with First's service 10 to Dorchester or service 1 to Portland.

Cllr David Harris, county councillor for West-ham, said:

"The Southill community bus is a valuable service for local people. With these newly added journeys, people will continue to be able to use it for shopping and leisure trips as well as to get to work, school and college. Although it will mean a change in pattern for the regular users, I hope residents will find it helpful."

Ground floor car park spaces for those who need them most

A MAJOR improvement in parking facilities for vulnerable people has been made in Weymouth.

Britannia Parking, which runs the town's multi-storey car park on Commercial Road, has adapted some of its most convenient bays to provide extra parking help for customers who need it most.

Manager John Lewis said: "We became aware that some of our customers such as disabled people and parents with young children needed more help.

"So we surveyed the facility and identified eight extra spaces – all conveniently on the ground floor – which have now been converted solely for their use.

"Four are now signed for disabled use only and four are signed specifically for parents with young children.

"Such people already

have enough problems. Parking on upper levels does require more effort from them, so by offering them these ground floor facilities we are helping make their lives a little easier."

The multi-storey holds 469 spaces and the new facilities for special groups nearly

doubles the number of spaces for disabled people and parents with young children.

Weymouth and Portland community safety spokesman Councillor Francis Drake welcomed the multi-storey upgrade and said: "Safety is always a major consideration for

disabled people and parents coming in to town with young children to try and shop.

"Having these extra facilities for them on the ground floor will be a welcome improvement and it is bound to encourage more such people to come in to Weymouth and shop."



■ Multi-storey car park manager John Lewis in the new parking bays.

Chance to nominate your volunteers of the year

AROUND 200 people are expected to line-up for this year's Volunteer Centre Dorset awards – taking place at the Dorford Centre, in Dorchester, on October 27th from 6pm.

Categories include: Young Volunteer of the Year (Under 25) Volunteer of the Year, Volunteer Group of the Year, and finally Community Award for Volunteering (Employee Volunteering). This recognises public, private and voluntary sector volunteering where paid employees give their spare time to support the community.

The category has been running for two years and is open to all who support employee volunteering, whatever the size of the organisation.

With VIP guests, the evening includes a free buffet, non-alcoholic refreshments and live music as well as the formal presentations.

Nominations for all of the awards close on the last day of September, with forms available from the website www.volunteeringdorset.org.uk or, alternatively, by contacting Craig or Jenni on Dorchester (01305) 269214, or by email awards@volunteeringdorset.org.uk

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Hotel's family fun day to go ahead

ORGANISERS of a popular Weymouth family fun day have stressed the show will go on – despite a clash with the resort's Ironman Race.

The event, at the Riviera Hotel, Bowleaze Cove, on Sunday, September 11th, will still be taking place despite the closure of the obvious access route from the town – along Preston Beach Road.

The road, which runs parallel to the beach, will be shut to traffic to allow the triathletes access to the run and cycle legs of their competition.

The family fun day organisers say full access to their event will be available via Littlemoor and Preston Roads.

Phil Stanfield from the Riviera explained: "We always put on a family fun day during September and

other commitments meant we could only host it on Sunday 11th this year.

"We were aware that's the same day as Ironman but we checked with the race organisers, the police and council to ensure there would be access.

"Unfortunately when we began publishing the event lots of people on social media have been worrying that all the roads are closed that day and that's simply not the case. It's a worry because we have all sorts of activities booked such as face painters, bouncy castles and entertainment and we don't want people stopping home under false pretences.

"Whether the road closure details haven't been explained fully I don't know, but what I can promise people is that full access to the hotel and Bowleaze

in general will be available that day."

He added: "Events like the Ironman we fully support and hopefully people will make a day of it and spend time with us and get down and watch a bit of the racing too."

Ironman organisers backed the hotel and have also moved to put people's minds at rest.

"People will have full access to the Riviera Hotel", an Ironman spokesman said. "We are well aware that there are a lot of businesses in the area and lots of guests checking in and out and we will be doing all we can to ensure the disruption on the day is minimal."

The Riviera Hotel Family Fun Day runs from 12 noon to 4pm and everyone is welcome.

Brass and organ concert at church

ST Osmund's Church, Osmington, is offering a treat this Sunday evening, on September 11th, when it stages an unusual concert of brass and organ music starting at 5pm.

As one of a number of fund raising events for the church, the Trumbonium Brass Quintet and Dr Richard Hall playing the organ are preparing a feast of a programme with composers including Bach, Elgar, Delibes, Pittoni, Bizet, Faure, Gershwin and many more.

Keith Espin from The Trumboniums says they are "all seasoned veterans" and as a group were originally formed to play for a Bridport nativity play.

Their instruments are two trumpets, one trombone, one euphonium and one tuba. The well known Dorset musician, Dr Richard Hall, is director of the Dorset Rural Music School in Blandford.

Tickets cost £8 on the door and include wine, juice and nibbles.

Aquaculture farm to be reinstated

AN Aquaculture Farm is to be re-established inside the Northern Arm of Portland Inner Harbour.

The allocated area will be 200metres by 100metres in size and a number of buoyed floating long lines will be contained within this area.

The seaward corners will be marked by two lit Special Marks flashing yellow every five seconds. The inner corners, close to the breakwater, will be marked by two unlit yellow spherical buoys.

Mariners are requested to give the area a wide berth and pass at slow speed with minimum wash.

Strollers' treasurer thanked for hard work upon retirement

RETIRING treasurer of the Dorchester Strollers group Ron Kirby has been thanked for his work over the years.

Before the start of one of the Strollers regular Monday morning walks, Amanda Gallaher, chairman of the Strollers, made a presentation to Mr Kirby to thank him for his hard work.

Prior to taking on the office of treasurer, Ron had been one of the walker representatives on the Strollers committee. Although an accredited group within the national Walking for Health organisation, the Strollers have to

raise their own funding as they are an entirely voluntary run group. As part of the WfH scheme all walks must be offered free of charge.

"Ron has worked tirelessly and enthusiastically to ensure that he leaves the Strollers in a sound financial position for them to continue to offer their contribution to the wellbeing of the local community," said Dorchester co-ordinator, Susan Blake.

Mr Kirby will continue to walk with the group with Valerie Knight, one of the regular walkers, taking on the position of treasurer.



■ AMANDA Gallaher, chairman, makes the presentation to Ron Kirby. On the left of Amanda (in blue) is Valerie Knight, the new treasurer

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Artist Martin calls it a day at gallery

WEYMOUTH'S oldest and largest art gallery will close its doors for the final time on October 31st.

Owner Martin Leighton is retiring, but when he talked to the *View From Weymouth* he revealed that he couldn't have started out his working life in a more different profession.

He said: "I used to make Tornadoes, not the storms, but the power boats, and I served my apprenticeship at the old Tod's boatbuilding yard at Ferrybridge."

Martin spoke of his early years while relaxing in his gallery off Brewers Quay and said: "I was never an academic, but I always had a natural ability with wood. I passed my apprenticeship and left Weymouth in 1968 as a fully fledged cabinet maker and I went up to Leicester to work in my wife to be Sue's father's joinery business."

"I married Sue in 1971 and came back down to Weymouth in 1982 where I worked as a builder and carpenter, later setting up my own business, which I ran until I began the gallery here in 2003."

"I had started to paint when I got married and I realised I might be able to follow my dream of paying the bills with my artwork when I entered a major local painting competition on Portland and won first, second and third prize!"

"The dream became a reality in 2003 and for the next 14 years I built the gallery up to a point where



■ SUE and Martin Leighton and below at work in his studio

I had customers all over the world. "Now I'm 65 and, while I don't plan on stopping my painting, I will welcome losing the seven-day commitment to the gallery and I plan on using the extra time to paint at my home studio and stage exhibitions as and when I want to."

When asked which of his paintings was his favourite he replied: "The next one."

He added: "I love painting women in a variety of poses from nude to clothed and from outdoors to studio

settings. I will continue with this but without the commitment of having to run a business. It will be much more relaxed."

Sue said: "One thing we both will gain is the weekend and time with our grandchildren which has been restricted for a long time."

Martin said: "Perhaps the thing I will most look forward to is doing a lot more portraits."

"People can follow that on my website which will also continue."



Scribes' exhibition

WEYMOUTH'S Lorton Scribes are exhibiting their work at the Muberry Gallery at Weymouth Library for two weeks, from this week.

The exhibition will include examples of quill writing and quills cut from their workshop at the Nothe Fort Medieval Encampment weekend in August.

Organisers say established members have continued to produce new calligraphic pieces of work of their usual high quality, which will be well worth seeing in the exhibition.

Library Friends' talk

THE Friends of Weymouth Library are presenting a special author event in the Library on Wednesday, September 21st at 2.15pm.

Local crime writer Bob Sharpe will be speaking about the Life of Oscar Wilde in an illuminating talk about this charismatic and troubled man.

Advance booking is necessary. Tickets cost £2.50 including refreshments and are available from the Library desk or by ringing 01305 832613 for more details.

Heritage open day

HERITAGE Open Days are being held at St Laurence Church, Upwey this week.

The 13th-15th Century church features Tudor Roses, wall paintings, a 12th century font, ancient and Victorian stained glass, a Jacobean pulpit, Tudor and Stuart links and some Green Men.

It will be open this Thursday, September 8th from 10am-4pm; Friday, September 9th from 10am-4pm; Saturday, September 10th, 10am-4pm and Sunday, September 11th, 10am-4pm.

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Free benefits sessions

FREE benefits advice sessions are being held in Weymouth, Portland and Dorchester in the coming days.

The free sessions are an initiative by the Dorset Welfare Benefits Partnership.

In Weymouth the next session will be held this Thursday, September 8th between 9.30am and 11.30am at the Weymouth Community Safety Centre (new fire station), Radipole Lane, Weymouth, DT4 0QF.

On Portland the next session takes place on Tuesday, September 13th, between 10am and 12.15pm at Island Community Action, Easton Shopping Centre.

In Dorchester the next session will be on Thursday, September 22nd at Age UK in Prince of Wales Road between 9am and 12.30pm.

All of the sessions need to be booked in advance. For Weymouth and Dorchester call Age UK Dorchester on 01305 269444

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For Portland contact Island Community Action on 01305 823789 or email islandcommunityaction@btconnect.com

Prostate cancer tests

THE New-Man Prostate Cancer Support Group are inviting men over the age of 45 to a free PSA testing day in Dorchester.

The testing day takes place on Saturday, September 17th at the Dorford Centre in Dorchester from 9.40am 'to 1pm.

A simple blood test (PSA test) can determine whether a man is at risk and, if caught in the early stages, cure rates are over 80 per cent.

To have a test – book an appointment in advance by calling Paul Nichols on 01308 458222 or Jim Davis on 01202 580436.

Working together on community project

A VOLUNTEER team from Weymouth College have been helping out on a community allotment in Dorchester.

The National Citizens Service volunteers from the college have been making good part of an allotment area off Allington Road, Dorchester.

The idea is that members of the Friendship Club and the Volunteer Centre Dorset can work together on a community project.

Lisa Dixon from the Friendship Club said: "A retired lady has kindly offered part of her allotment area so people can learn about weeding, nurturing plants and to meet up with others."

"These young volunteers from the NCS have been working hard making the area accessible and manageable for those with disabilities.

"We are looking forward to creating networks of support as well as building lasting

community connections."

Darren Cobb, Team leader, said: "The NCS Group, affectionately known as the Goonies, selected the Friendship Club as their chosen charity to raise funds. The fundraising included, a cake sale, car wash and sponsored walk, raising just over £1,000. This enabled the team to provide a makeover for the allotment at Allington Avenue. We were able to purchase an arbour style garden seat, two raised beds, and pave selected areas around the site."

Gould's Garden Centre, Gibbs and Dandy, Mole Valley, Doonan and ECO sustainable solutions all helped with materials and planting.

Team members expressed their own thanks to Darren and Hannah for making the project so much fun and the Friendship club and the Dorchester-based Volunteer Centre for organising the project.



■ THE NCS Group of volunteers from Weymouth College, including Will Bibi, Ryan, Luke, Georgia, Charlotte, Elanor, Sarah, Erica, Carol, Sam, Brittany, Jasmine, and Briony

Enter your pooch in the pet portrait competition

LAST year Dorchester photographer Greg Cameron Day raised more than £600 for pet charity The Dogs Trust by running the Dorset Dog Portrait Awards.

He will be repeating the fundraising photo session again this year and is look-

ing for pets to take part.

Greg is looking for dogs from all over Dorset to get snapped for charity and has also teamed up with photographers from all around the UK.

There are prizes for the first three judged locally and the

top dog in each region will go forward to the national awards and the overall winner will receive £1,000 cash.

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Freddy provides the fun and mischief and accompanies Helen on some walks and all house sits. His friends come in all sizes, from Dachshund to Mastiff, and all ages, from puppies to senior.

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This year fifteen homes will open during the first two weekends in September to showcase ways of saving energy, resources and reducing bills. They are a great chance to get the facts and find inspiration on how to make a difference. This is the fourth year that this event has been organised by Transition Town Bridport.

Many of these are older homes (including one listed building) which have been retro-fitted with better insulation, solar panels and double-

glazed windows. Others have been built in recent years to a higher standard, and include using the Sun to heat the house passively, collecting rainwater, and efficient ventilation systems. Others still have focussed on building materials which emit less carbon dioxide gas during their lifetime - for example two of these homes are built with straw bales, lime render and recycled paper insulation which all have low 'embodied energy'.

With several proposed developments in Bridport, including Vearse farm and the area around St Michaels and the old coal works, there has been a demand for affordable housing. But a cheaply built house may be a false economy, taking into account the running costs of building inefficient buildings, and the need for expensive retrofits further down the road. Demand for low or zero energy homes is growing, and they do not cost much more to build.

Visitors to EcoHomes in previous years have spoken about learning from other peoples' experience about what works and what doesn't.

All the hosts are voluntarily opening their homes and their enthusiasm, knowledge and impartiality makes a powerful and inspiring experience for visitors.

Along with the open homes are three talks on retro-fitting insulation, smarter living, and Bridport Co-housing.

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■ SHIRLEY and Sandra Dolby with the crew of Le Marite



■ FERED and Ursula Kehara and Sea Cadet Lauren Knight

Celebrating a life on the

Words and photos
by Claire Vera



■ SEA Cadet Daniel Geare

WEYMOUTH'S Waterfest brought locals and visitors onto the harbourside to celebrate the town's maritime tradition, with historic and modern vessels as well as food, music and entertainment.

The event is supported financially by the Weymouth BID and organised by Roger Dalton Associates with sponsors including Pengillys Solicitors, Dream Cottages and Weymouth Chamber of Commerce.

Sea Cadet Daniel Geare was greeting people as they arrived at T S Boscawen SCC.

"I'm in charge of getting people on board so they can have a tour with the other cadets," he said.

On the tour with Sea Cadet Lauren Knight were Fered and Ursula Kehar from Germany: "We are on holiday and we didn't know this event was happening. We have travelled across England and Wales and we really like Weymouth, we think it is very good and we are a little bit sad that we can't stay longer."

Local mother and daughter Shirley and Sandra Dolby were touring the Tall Ship Le Marite. "It is fascinating to look around the ship. I can't imagine how it must have been for the sailors years ago who were barefoot on these ships in freezing cold conditions," said Sandra.

"It's lovely to be able to come and look around like this," she added.

Roger Dalton, event organiser, said: "The weather didn't dampen the maritime festivities in Weymouth over the weekend and thousands enjoyed the celebrations."

"This year Waterfest had its biggest collection of vessels to date including the Gipsy Moth IV and Le Marite tall ship. Weymouth is always going to be popular in August, but as soon as the children return to school, the numbers drop. The event is part of Weymouth Business Improvement Districts programme of events which aim to increase footfall out of season – Thank you to all vessels, sponsors who supported the event."

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Students soak up culture of Hamburg



■ STUDENTS enjoying the culture of Hamburg

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Students had the opportunity to visit the old and new towns, as well as the Chocolate Museum, Hamburg dungeons and the Fountain concert at the Planten un Blomen.

Day five of the residential trip included a trip to the

city's model railway - the largest model railway in the world, and one of the most successful permanent exhibitions in Northern Germany.

Miss Claridge, Head of PE and trip organiser, said it was another excellent school trip to Germany following a winter Christmas market trip to Cologne last year.

Miss Claridge added: "Our students have had a great time - we have visited so many sites across the city including free time for shopping. We have truly embraced the culture of this wonderful European city."

Stand up and sit down keep fit sessions launched

OSPREY Leisure Centre on Portland is starting a new course for people with limited mobility with a "Stand Up - Sit Down" exercise class.

The team of experts at the centre have been developing a programme of activities for members who are less able.

Judy Pendry has been a volunteer at Osprey Leisure Centre for three years and has lived with a disability through spinal injury for many years. Wanting to keep fit, Judy thought it would be a great idea to start a kit fee session at Osprey Leisure Centre.

She said: "I first approached Osprey's directors to see

if this class was possible for members who had limited mobility and who were looking for some gentle exercise. I am delighted that we have now received the funding and the class can start at the end of September. Every Wednesday the group will meet for an hour from 2pm - 3pm. I am really looking forward to it."

Nigel Williams, General Manager of the Osprey Leisure Centre said: "The beauty of the Stand Up Sit Down exercise class is that the idea came from a volunteer at the centre who, with help of Rachel Barton, one of the centre's directors, helped to source £5,000 of funding from Sport England for one year."



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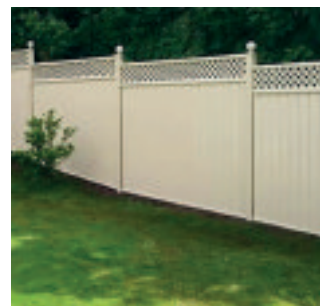
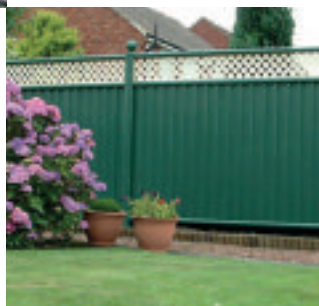
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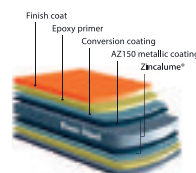
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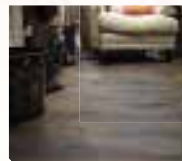
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15 SMART TIPS TO GET YOUR HOME READY FOR AUTUMN

COOLER temperatures and pretty soon falling leaves serve as a reminder that the fall season is fast approaching. As the seasons change, so do our activities and home needs. Even though summer is not quite over yet, it's a good time to do some seasonal maintenance to keep your home running smoothly. The weather can change quickly, especially if you live in a colder climate and you don't want to be caught unprepared. A bit of attention now will save costly repairs and aggravation later.

1. Check for drafts: Feel for drafts around the edges of windows and doors. A good tip is to use a lighted candle and if the flame flickers, there's most likely a draft. If necessary, replace seals and repair caulking around window and door frames. Consider buying heavier or insulated drapery for especially drafty windows.

2. Have your furnace inspected: Hire an HVAC professional to test for leaks, check heating efficiency, and change the filter. They can also do a carbon monoxide check to ensure air safety. It's also a good idea to stock up on extra air filters and change them every few months.



3. Winterize air conditioning: If your home has central air conditioning, (and you live in a climate where you won't need it any longer,) it may be necessary to cover your outdoor unit for winter. If you use window air conditioning units, remove them or cover to prevent air leaks.

4. Programmable thermostat: Buy a programmable thermostat, if you don't have one. If you already have one, check the temperature settings. Setting your thermostat to lower the temperature automatically at night and when you're not home, can result in substantial cost savings.

5. Test home safety devices: Replace the batteries in all smoke detectors and carbon monoxide devices and test to make sure they're working properly.

6. Clean humidifiers: Replace old filters and clean inside compartment. Vinegar is inexpensive and works well.

7. Do a roof check: You should be able to do at least a visual inspection of the roof from the ground. Grab some binoculars to get a closer look or if you're able and can do so safely, climb



on up for a better view. Look for missing, damaged, or loose shingles. If your roof is flat, you may need to remove leaves and debris.

8. Check the chimney and fireplace: If you have a wood fireplace and use it often, have your chimney cleaned and inspected by a professional.

9. Stock up on firewood: Order enough firewood for the season. If you gather your own firewood, make sure it's dry and ready. It's best to cover firewood and store away from the house for safety reasons.



10. Inspect siding: Check home exterior for cracks or holes. Repair them yourself or hire a professional.

11. Clean the gutters: Hire a service to clear your gutters or do it yourself. Remove leaves, nests, and debris from gutters and check for leaks.

12. Check water drainage: Rainwater downspouts need to be clear of obstructions and direct water away from foundations, walkways, and driveways. Add extensions to downspouts if necessary.

13. Inspect trees: Check for damaged limbs that may break or that are too close to power lines or the roof.

14. Put away seasonal furniture: Clean and store seasonal outdoor furniture. Remove and clean cushions. Wash and dry furniture and store in a dry place over winter.



15. Organise the shed: As your shed is filling up with summer items in storage it's a good time to organise and clean out the shed. Move summer items to the back and winter stuff up front for better access. Also, remove any liquids that will freeze.

As you're enjoying the last bits of summer, make sure that your home is prepared for the coming fall season. Preventative maintenance now will save money on expensive emergency repairs and wasted energy costs. Properly maintaining your home also enhances its value and appeal and is less effort than managing a crisis later. When the chilly weather approaches you and your home will be ready.

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5 DIY COZY HOME DECORATING IDEAS

BELOW are five ways to create the coziest home ever. If you crave a warm and homey atmosphere, then these ideas will definitely appeal to you!

1. Comfortable Furniture is the Hallmark of a Cozy Home: Shopping for new furniture? Then opt for that which is comfortable to sit on rather than just lovely to look at. Of course, if you take your time, you'll be able to find furniture that strikes a perfect balance between the two. Simply put, opt for furniture that you can curl up on to relax.

2. Warmer Colors Make a Room Feel Cozy: Home decoration is a serious art. One of the top ways that experts recommend to create a cozy atmosphere is to use warm colors for decorating. Cool colors make a room feel large and airy while warm colors make the same room feel small and cozy.



3. Warm Lighting Can Change the Mood of Any Room: Lighting is one of the biggest factors in setting the mood in your home or cozy cabin. Think about it this way: many of the world's most well-known photographs are so cherished not because what is in the picture but because of how the picture is lit. Simply put, lighting is a heck of a lot more important than most people first think. And a cozy home requires welcoming lighting. Table lamps are always a great bet. As are smaller lamps with "warm" bulbs instead of "cool" ones.

4. Mix and Match Styles and Furniture: A cozy home doesn't generally look like one from a furniture showroom. In fact, if you buy all your furniture and furnishings from the same store, your home is going to look like, well, a furniture store. So mix together pieces from different stores and with different styles. I even like to find the bulk of my furniture from second-hand and antique stores. Think more about what "goes together" than what "matches."

5. Fill Your Home With the Stuff You Love: We're not saying you have to fill your home with clutter here. Instead, a cozy home is one full of a few select well-loved items. Ideas include your favorite books, family mementos, and sentimental knick-knacks. The more you can make your home feel like your own, the cozier it will end up being.



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Weymouth Matters

A personal View by HARRY WALTON

■ THIS week's Growing Old Disgracefully looks at house decoration and how all those old pictures can be put to good use.

When a roll of wallpaper can cost £20 it is common sense to just slap a coat of paint on the walls and get out all the old photo albums and frames.

That lovely Christmas photo of Granny Gaymer drunk on eggnog is a must to go up as is that hysterical shot of Uncle Dave falling into the swimming pool when the rubber stop came off one of his zimmer frame legs.

Wooden pictures of ancient grandparents staring grimly to camera are always a favourite and don't forget the grandchildren. That one of little Cheryl screaming when Vernon put a worm down her dress is a good one to fill a bit of space.

Finally there are the animals. Twenty-six stone Aunt Ethel engulfing an éclair and nephew Max goosing the bridesmaids at a wedding will catch the eye and you might want to put up a few cats and dogs as well.

Have your say on unitary authority proposals

IT has been hailed as one of the most comprehensive shake-ups in local government for a century, but will we both get what is right for Weymouth and Portland and right for us?

A huge consultation exercise is underway asking everyone for their view on the future structure of local government in Dorset.

Don't dismiss this as boring and don't file it in the bin because this is your chance to fight Weymouth and Portland's corner and check the massive drain of cash and resources away to the east of the county and ensure Weymouth and Portland can survive in the format we would like.

You have until October 25th when the consultation closes to make your views known on proposals which could scrap nine existing councils – including Weymouth and Portland – and replace them with two unitary councils.

Full details are available on the Internet at www.resapingyourcouncils.uk where the options are laid out for people to see.

The first option is quite simple – retain all nine councils although this won't save the huge sums of money needed to keep councils and services going.

The favoured option involves creating new unitary councils but it is an option with several different faces.

The first idea would see a large conurbation created of Bournemouth, Poole, Christchurch and East Dorset clubbed together with their county services and a second smaller group created of Weymouth and Portland, West Dorset, Purbeck and North Dorset and their county council services.

The second idea is for a medium conurbation of Bournemouth, Poole and Christchurch and their services provided by the county council together with a medium sized group of other councils including Weymouth and Portland, West Dorset, Purbeck, North Dorset and East Dorset which would be set up with the services the county council provides for them.

Finally there is a third idea – and the most popular one – for a small conurbation of just Bournemouth and Poole together with the setting up of a large group consisting of Weymouth and Portland, West Dorset, Purbeck, North Dorset, East Dorset and Christchurch and the services they currently get from the county council. This option is the one

favoured by many county councillors

Bearing in mind the deep concerns in Weymouth and Portland about a bias towards the east of the county and the feeling we are "poor cousins" to the larger conurbations, it would seem logical to support whichever idea maintains our identity and which helps attract the largest amount of cash to ensure our services continue the way we want them to.

That is why attending one of the roadshows explaining the whole situation is so important since whatever idea is eventually chosen will influence our lives for decades to come. The next ones for Weymouth and Portland are this Saturday in Weymouth on September 10th from 10am-2pm outside Debenhams and on October 5th from 3pm-7pm at Tesco, Portland.

Weymouth fights back against gulls

WEYMOUTH is fighting back against the menace of gulls swooping down to grab people's seafood by asking everyone not to feed the birds because they are a health hazard.

The warning is being put on stickers attached to food wrappers but, since very few gulls can read, it may not make a lot of difference.

It certainly won't make much difference to the attitude of human beings who will buy their food, open the packet and extract their food before becoming distracted by the sticker.

By the time they've digested the health hazard message the gulls will be digesting their snack!

Only this week I relaxed with a seafood coffee and, in the time it took me to drink it, I saw several gull attacks.

One left a little boy so frightened that he only agreed to go on eating his sandwich after his Dad leaned over him to provide a shield against another attack.

By contrast, another attack delighted a group of teenagers who teased one of their number after half his fish and chips were wolfed down in a split second when he took his eye off the meal he was enjoying while sat on a seafood planter.

The health warning stickers are definitely a nice idea but I can't see it cutting much ice when stacked up against the predatory instincts of these seafood pirates of the air.

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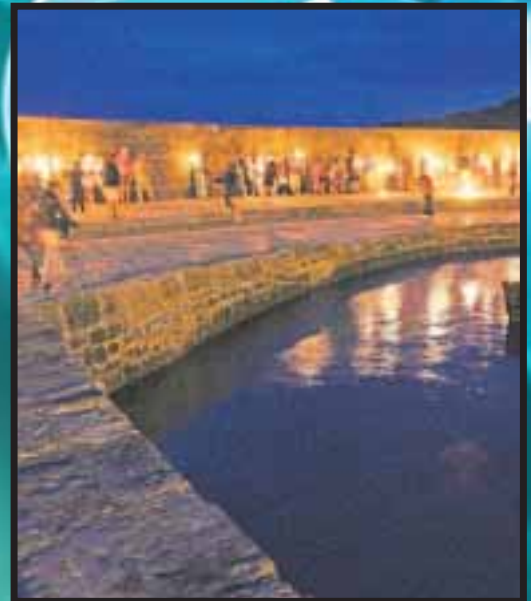
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LYME FOLK WEEKEND

Eliza and Martin Carthy to
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BAND 9.30pm

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7.30pm. £15.

Corn Exchange,
DORCHESTER
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Saturday 30 Sept
Nag's Head,
LYME REGIS
PAPA LE GAL Doors
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Top names in folk in town this weekend

LYME REGIS'S annual folk festival will this weekend provide a grand finale to the town's summer programme.

Lyme Folk Weekend, now in its fourth year and firmly established as one of the highlights of the summer, features more than 40 acts in nine venues, including the showpiece Marine Theatre concerts.

Three evening shows, hosted by the highly acclaimed Devon folk singer Jim Causley, the festival's patron, will culminate in a brilliant evening of sparkling entertainment from two of the folk scene's most renowned names, **Martin and Eliza Carthy**.

Eliza, arguably the biggest star in British folk music, is making her first appearance at the festival, and will be joined by her father, folk legend Martin, returning for the first time since 2013.

Also gracing the Marine Theatre stage will be **John Kirkpatrick**, another legendary figure from British folk. John, a stalwart of the British folk scene for five decades, will be performing his solo show on Saturday night as part of a double bill with the brilliant Dorset duo **Ninebarrow**, who are rapidly making a big name for themselves with appearances on BBC Radio 2's Folk Show as well as at Cambridge Folk Festival and Sidmouth Folk Week.

The weekend gets off to a brilliant start on Friday with a very special one-off event in the com-

pany of **Jim Causley and Friends**. The show, which was such a success at last year's festival, features a great new nine-strong line-up including **The Longest Johns**, **Nick Wyke and Becki Driscoll** and **Ninebarrow**, in the intimate and atmospheric setting of the Marine Theatre – an evening not to be missed.

The festival's 'second stage' at the Pilot Boat offers great value for three brilliant nights of lively entertainment. You can see three bands each night of the festival – Friday night features local folk band **Acoustic Rooster**, the brilliant traditional duo **Mitchell and Vincent**, and festival favourites **Patch and the Giant**. Saturday starts with local duo **Something Old, Something New** before the brilliant family trio **Emmay** and finally the hilarious and riotous **Uke-Men League**. Then on Sunday there is a welcome return to Lyme for the wonderfully talented **Saskia Griffiths-Moore** and guitar virtuoso **Toby Noble** and finally singer-songwriter **Pete Aves**, who will be performing songs from his new album, *See How*.

For the first time, the festival will be holding afternoon concerts in the Langmoor Marquee – the critically acclaimed **Sunjay** (Friday 4pm), the earthy **Longest Johns** (Friday 5.30pm), the amazing guitarist **Nick Edward Harris** (Saturday 5.30pm) and then a special treat – festival patron **Jim Causley**, performing songs from his latest album *Forgotten Kingdom* with **Nick Wyke and Becki Driscoll**.

Sunday in the Langmoor Marquee is the venue for one of the festival's highlights – **John Kirkpatrick** performing his one-man show *Songs from the Victorian Farmer*, as seen on the popular BBC TV show *Victorian Farm* (Sunday 4pm).

Rounding things off in the Langmoor Marquee are **Hawksdown**, a brilliant trio bringing folk music right up to date with their own imaginative style (Sunday 6pm).

There is free music, dancing and poetry on the seafront stage all day, every day from 11am, and performances from **JJ Pig**, **Roots A Capella**, **Mischa & his Merry Men** and **Steve Dagleish** at the Town Mill.

And don't miss your chance to join in – you can take part in the **Open Mic Night** at the Galley Cafe (Friday 8pm), or join **Jim Causley and John Kirkpatrick** for their song and tune sessions at the Ship



Eliza and Martin Carthy

Inn (Saturday and Sunday 1pm), plus there is the opportunity to play and sing in the nightly **After-Show Sessions** in the Marine Theatre Bar.

If dancing is your thing, then get along to the Lyme Folk **Ceilidh**, which has been one of the highlights of previous festivals (Saturday 8pm). Take your dancing shoes along to the Langmoor Marquee and trip the night away to the wonderfully lively ceilidh band **No Strings Attached** and their brilliant caller **Richard Gracie** – and watch out for a special appearance from the spectacular **Steampunk Morris**.

Last but not least, this year festival organisers are inviting residents and visitors to take part in the Lyme Folk Weekend **Parade** (Saturday 11am). The only rule is: you have to be dressed as a pirate! Prizes will be awarded for the best adult and the best child pirate costume – plus the chance to join in with an amazing **Sing Like A Pirate** workshop in the Langmoor Marquee (Saturday 2pm).

For details and tickets for all the Lyme Folk Weekend events are available online at www.lymefolk.com, from Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre in Church Street or by calling 01927 442138.



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Bridport Arts Centre set to re-open with a bang!

WITH THE re-opening of Bridport Arts Centre just days away, the Arts Centre is pleased to confirm the Autumn and Winter Season of events. As ever there will be some of the best talent from around the UK coming to entertain the people of Bridport!

Music is well represented with the return of the popular young blues man Laurence Jones (November 11th) whom many in the music press hail as the 'next big thing'. From someone starting out in their career to others who have had a long illustrious one to reflect on - the Kast off Kinks will be playing live next January. The band are not just a covers band, they are made up of four original members of the legendary Kinks, expect to hear all of the hits they made famous including 'Waterloo Sunset' and 'You Really Got Me'. Any Woody Guthrie fans, or simply fans of good traditional and political music will enjoy Will Kaufman's Woody Guthrie: Hard Times and Hard Travellin'. Described as a "live documentary" Will Kaufman performs and sets the songs of Woody Guthrie in the context of the American 1930s.

Bridport Arts Centre has a track record of bringing some of the country's most dynamic theatre companies to the South West and this season is no different. Worklight's 'Labels' on October 28th was described as 'terrific and really thoughtful' by the Guardian and has won many awards. The piece charts a childhood in 90s Devon and shifting political landscapes and a global refugee crisis.



Worklight's 'Labels'

Bridport Arts Centre is your destination to help celebrate seasonal events. DJ Dr Funk will be on hand to play some tunes to dance away the ghouls and ghosts for another year this Halloween at the Monsters Ball. Christmas cheer will be all around with a screening of the Royal Ballet's enchanting production of The Nutcracker and on the December 8th the perennial favourite A Christmas Carol' gets a fresh re-telling, described as a 'feast of foolishness'.

All of the regular favourites including the much loved café events - Jazz, Story, and Comedy Café will be returning and the ever popular morning Classic Concerts. There will be regular screenings from New York's MET Opera and the Royal Opera House with classics such as Romeo and Juliet and Don Giovanni amongst many to choose from.

With such a great line up of events taking place in a newly refurbished setting,

Bridport Arts Centre is set to be the place to go this Autumn! Full details and tickets for all events can be bought online www.bridport-arts.com, or pop in to the Arts Centre and pick up a programme when it re-opens from September 13th.



Suzi Ruffell

Black is the Color of My Voice

DIRECT from sell-out performances in Shanghai, New York and at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe, Apphia Campbell embarks on her debut UK tour.

Inspired by the life of Nina Simone, 'Black Is The Color Of My Voice' follows a successful jazz singer and civil rights activist seeking redemption after the untimely death of her father. She reflects on the journey that took her from a young piano prodigy destined for a life in the service of the church, to a renowned jazz vocalist at the forefront of the Civil Rights Movement.

'Black is the Color of My Voice' comes to the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis on Wednesday, September 14th, 7.30pm.

Tickets are £14, concessions £12, available by calling 01297 442138 or online at www.marinetheatre.com



Morgan & West's Parlour Tricks

ALLOW yourself to be transported back in time at Bridport Arts Centre with time travelling magic duo Morgan and West on Friday, September 30th. Their incredible show 'Parlour Tricks' is chock full of jaw-dropping, brain-bursting, gasp-eliciting feats of magic.

Set in Morgan and West Victorian Parlour, these two rather 'spiffing' chaps will entertain you with some mind boggling tricks. Rhys Morgan and Robert West are comedy magicians who can

count Derren Brown as one of their fans. They don't rely on lights and special effects, they fully confess to being liars and cheats but they are so charming, you really don't mind. The show features traditional magic; cards and feats of memory, all delivered with witty banter and a warm camaraderie.

Morgan and West are skilled and incredibly talented and very enjoyable. The characters they project and the set where they work their magic feels new and

fresh - breathing new life into old tricks. The dashing chaps offer up a plateful of illusion and impossibility, all served with wit, charm and no small amount of panache. Be sure to wear a hat - Morgan and West might just blow your mind!

Morgan and West bring 'Parlour Tricks' to Bridport Arts Centre on Friday, September 30th at 7.30pm. Tickets are £12/£10, available online at www.bridport-arts.com, or by calling 01308 424204



Laurence Jones

It cleverly uses comedy, storytelling and spoken word to explore issues around mixed heritage and immigration. Told By Idiot brought Don Quixote to BAC last autumn which was hailed as one of the highlights of the year by those who saw it. So their next show Heads Will Roll will be one not to miss. This new show is a dark epic comedy about delusion, vanity, and the corruption of power, inspired by the historic search for El Dorado.

This Autumn is going to be especially busy for comedy fans. Jon Richardson's sold out show in October will be followed by more big names - Jeremy Hardy, the much loved Radio 4 regular will be stopping off in Bridport with his new tour Jeremy Hardy Live 2016 on November 24th. Mark Thomas brings his particular brand of political comedy with his Red Shed show - the third part in a trilogy of multi award winning shows. He tells the story of strikes, dinner ladies and commies, beer and burgers! Following swiftly after is Lee Nelson on December 4th, you may remember him in his shell suit on various TV programmes including Live At The Apollo and John Bishop's Christmas show but he is now Suited and Booted. The following week Tom Allen and Suzi Ruffell Hit The Road! Suzi is fresh from receiving rave reviews at the Edinburgh Festival and you will recognise Tom Allen from his performances on 8 Out 10 Cats Does Countdown.



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Sat & Sun: 12.15

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Daily: 13.30, 16.00,

plus Sat & Sun: 11.00am

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Daily: 18.30, 20.50

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Sat & Sun: 11.30, 14.15

War Dogs ¹⁵

Fri, Mon, Wed: 11.50am

Zootropolis ^{PG}

Sat & Sun: 10.00am

Comedy Cafe back at the Arts Centre

THE Bridport Arts Centre Comedy Cafe gets a new home for one night only TONIGHT (Wednesday, September 7th) with another top line up of comedy talent fresh from the fringe.

The Lyric Theatre is set to host the popular comedy night for the September show with building work still continuing at the Bridport Arts Centre.

This month's show will be headlined by the award winning James Alderson, a master of observational stand up and a hit with audiences of all ages. James headlined the comedy cafe in 2013 and was a huge hit with the crowd and is now back by popular demand. In the meantime he has performed internationally from New York to Switzerland, has appeared on TV in the UK and the US and last year won the 'Best Comedy Act' at the WOW247 awards.

Opening the show will be one of the most exciting new satirical acts working today, Joe Wells. Joe has just returned from the Edinburgh Fringe where he has been performing his critically acclaimed show "10 things I hate about UKIP" for the last month.

Dubbed a "Star of the future" by The Guardian Joe's political comedy has caught the eye of some of the biggest names in stand up and he has recently supported both Alexei Sayle and Frankie Boyle off the back of his growing fame.

In the middle will be runner up in this year's South Coast Comedian of the Year competition, Sunjai Arif, and resident comedian and local performer, Niki McCretton.

As ever, Bridport comedian Tom Glover will MC the show, chatting with the crowd and road testing his latest material.

"I can't wait to get back into the new look Arts Centre space but it is exciting to take the comedy cafe to a different venue for the first time, Tom said. "I hope our regulars will be happy to make the trip across the road and it would be great to see some new faces in the crowd as well."

"This month features some of my very favourite acts and it's a real mixed bill with something for everyone."

The next Comedy Café night will be on Wednesday, September 7th at 8pm. At the The Lyric Theatre for one night only. Tickets are £8 and available online or from the arts centre box office as usual on 01308 424204.



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UNTIL MONDAY SEPT 12th

LYME REGIS: For fans of coastal landscapes, the exhibition of recent paintings by Stephen Collins called Land Escapes is a must see! Figurative, semi-abstract and abstract landscapes, some painted in Cornwall, will be on show. Free entry. 10.30am-4.30pm. The Malthouse Gallery, The Town Mill, Mill Lane, Lyme Regis DT7 3PU. www.townmillsarts.co.uk

UNTIL TUESDAY SEPT 13th

LYME REGIS: No Boundaries is an art exhibition that gives you a chance to see the latest works by popular Lyme artist Julie Oldfield and to watch her create her iconic paintings of the coast, forests and shore. Free entry. 10.30am-4.30pm. The Courtyard Gallery, The Town Mill, Mill Lane, Lyme Regis DT7 3PU. www.townmillsarts.co.uk

UNTIL MONDAY SEPT 19th

WEYMOUTH: Lorton Scribes exhibiting thier work at Muberry Gallery, Weymouth Library for 2 weeks. This will include examples of quill writing and quills cut from our workshop at the Notte Fort Medieval Encampment weekend in August. Visitors were able to try their hand at Medieval writing. Our established members have continued to produce new calligraphic pieces of work of their usual high quality, which will be well worth seeing in the exhibition.

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 7th

BRIDPORT: Bridport Camera Club. First meeting of the Season. Introduction to the programme followed by members' photos from the Summer break. 7.30pm Chancery House, Bridport, DT6 3JT. The club is always happy to welcome new members. For details please phone the Club Secretary on 01308 482658.

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 8th

WYKE REGIS: Wyke Regis Horticultural Society will be holding its Annual General Meeting on Thursday 8th September 2016 at 7.30pm in the Trading Post, Rylands Lane, Wyke Regis, which anyone may attend. The Society promotes all forms of leisure gardening, including allotments and gardens. Membership is only £5 a year! Visit www.wrhs.btcc.co.uk for all the news.

EYPE, NEAR BRIDPORT: Aqua Fit classes at Highland's End swimming pool, 10.30-11.30am. Improve your flexibility and coordination whilst having fun in the water, which provides support and resistance for a low impact workout. Details Penny Yarnold 07970 879047.

EYPE, NEAR BRIDPORT: Parent & Baby/Toddler Swimming course, 11.30-12noon, at Highland's End. Have fun, exercise and bonding time, building confidence in the water. Daytime spaces also available for pre-school children's swimming lessons. Details Penny Yarnold 07970 879047.

FORDINGTON, DORCHESTER: Thursday Group meeting at St George's Church Hall. Joy Wallis, a wildlife enthusiast, will talk on 'Wildlife on your doorstep'. Starts 2.15pm, and there is a charge of £1 which covers a cup of tea and a biscuit. All welcome. For more details call 01305 269834.

WEYMOUTH: Broadwey, Upwey & District Horticultural Society, a talk by a speaker from the Gold Club on 'Garden Folklore'. St. Nicholas Primary School, Dorchester Road, Broadwey, Weymouth starting at 7.30pm. Details on 01305 813853 or visit the website.

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 9th

LYME REGIS: Lyme Regis Cemetery Chapel Open Day Visit a highly decorated Church of England cemetery. Built in 1856 the chapel is still used occasionally for funerals; it contains a fine example of a Victorian bier. Open 10a.m. to 4p.m.

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 10th

BRIDPORT: Wessex Military Band concert at Bucky Doo Square, 10am-1pm. Free, but voluntary donations by bucket collection.

LYME REGIS: Local Crafts and Collectables at the Baptist Church Hall, from 10.30am. Free admission. Well behaved dogs on leads welcome. Supporting FORCE Cancer Charity. For more details call 01297 445232.

BOTHENHAMPTON: Bothenhampton annual Village Show in the village hall. There are classes for flowers, vegetables, fruit, preserves, cakes & pastries, handiwork and photography. Entries are accepted from local residents and their families. The Hall is open from 2pm until 3.30pm for the staging of entries. The show is then open from 5pm with the prize giving taking place at 5.30pm. Schedules are available in the Church. Phone 423071 for details.

BRIDPORT: Open EcoHomes. Fifteen homes in West Dorset will open to showcase low energy living, retrofits, self-builds and straw bale homes. Please see <http://bridport.greenopenhomes.net> for details, or pick up a brochure at the information centre. Free event run by Transition Town Bridport and welcoming hosts.

LODERS: West Dorset Group of the Somerset and Dorset Family History Society, Saturday 10 September, Lodgers Village Hall, 2.00, Ted Udall, 'Where did they come from?' My 18th and 19th Century Family. Members £1.50, Visitors £3.00 all welcome. For more details contact Jane on 01308 425710 or email: jferentzi@aol.com

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 11th

BRIDPORT: Bridport Food Market every Sunday, 9am-3pm at St Michael's Trading Estate. Visit bit.ly/29vi8uY for more details.

DORCHESTER: Durnovarian Dames Ladies Group will be selling their unwanted saleable items at bargain prices to raise money for Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance and Dorset County Hospital Dementia Unit. Find us on our stall at Dorchester Car Boot Sale. Do come along early, grab a bargain and support our charities.

OSMINGTON: Concert of brass and organ music from The Trumbonum Brass Quintet, and Dr Richard Hall, from 5pm, at St Osmund's Church. Tickets £8 on the door.

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 12th

BEAMINSTER: Moviola presents 'Eddie The Eagle' in Beaminster Public Hall. Doors 7pm for 7.30pm. Tickets at yam Barton 01308 862715 weekdays 9.30-12.30 and Saturdays 9.30-1pm, or call 01308 861746 - £5 in advance or £5.50 on the door.

BRIDPORT: Bridport Folk Dance Club resumes at 7.30-9.30 pm in the WI Hall, North Street, Bridport. Enjoy folk dancing mainly in the English tradition from Playford-style to modern-day compositions at Bridport's long-established weekly club, with club callers and recorded music and frequently on last Mondays of the month live music with guest callers. No partner or previous experience required. Membership available giving admission at £2.50, otherwise £3.00. Contact Jane on 01308 898 002 or Monty on 01308 423 442.

WEYMOUTH: Radipole & Southill Horticultural Society welcome Martin Young from Nectar Plants to present his illustrated talk on 'Trees & Shrubs' when he will give advice on their choice and care for our gardens. The meeting will be held at Southill Community Centre in Radipole Lane, Weymouth and will commence at 7.30 pm. Entrance £1 includes refreshments and all are welcome for an interesting talk. Further details available from Irene or Derek on 785256.

BRIDPORT: Bridport Branch of The British Sugarcraft Guild will be celebrating their 20th Anniversary at the Citrus Grove Café, Grove Nurseries, West Bay Road, from 7.30pm. There will be a demonstration featuring Royal Icing and a celebration cake with tea and coffee afterwards. Would one of your reporters like to join us and record the evening for the local community.

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 13th

LYME REGIS: Mukti Mitchell, North Devon's Low Carbon Living Guru, has won awards for the creation of his carbon footprint calculator, eco-yacht design and unique secondary glazing system. He will give a talk on Smart Living: how smart lifestyle choices that put your own true, long-term self-interests first, automatically benefit the community and the planet, at Baptist Church Hall, Broad Street, Lyme Regis, 7.30pm. He goes on to look in detail at Smart Homes, and give tips on energy conservation for period homes.

BRIDPORT: Bridport History Society, Tuesday 13 September, 2.30 at United Church Hall, East St. Bridport. Jane Ferentzi-Sheppard 'Whitchurch Canoniconum' A Dorset Parish 1760 - 1920. Members £1.00, visitors £2.50, all welcome. Subscriptions are up for renewal, so if you are thinking of joining the Society, do come along. For more info contact Jane on 01308 425710 or email: jferentzi@aol.com

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 14th

LYME REGIS: Short mat bowls, weekly at Woodmead Hall, 7.15pm-10pm. New members welcome.

LYME REGIS: U3A Heritage Coast. The Spy Who Never Was: Talk by former BBC correspondent Peter Hill about Dorothy O'Grady, wrongly arrested for treason in 1940, condemned to death, reprieved but imprisoned for many years. How could a fantasist fool the authorities? Woodmead Halls, Hill Road, Lyme Regis DT7 3PG. Coffee/tea from 10.00am, talk at 11.00am. Free for members, suggested donation for talk £2 to non-members. More information about the U3A at website lymeregisu3a.org or phone 01297 444566.

BRIDPORT: Mukti Mitchell, poet, sailor and director of CosyHomes, will look at retro-fitting insulation in-depth, bringing traditional homes and listed buildings up to modern standards of thermal efficiency. At Chapel in the Garden, East Street, 7.15pm. £4.00 or 4 NETS, less if you can't afford it.

DORCHESTER: Evergreens Cinema will be showing 'Dad's Army' at Age UK Dorchester. Lights will dim at 1.45pm, tea and biscuits served during the showing for £1.50, ice creams also available. Everyone welcome. For more details call 01305 269444.

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 15th

DORCHESTER: South Dorset R.S.P.B. Group will hold a meeting at St. Georges Church Hall, Fordington, Dorchester at 7.45 p.m. The speaker will be Tony Bates, President, Dorset Wildlife Trust, talk entitled 'The Back of Beyond'. A trip to the Australian outback - the surprising diversity of birds and flora of this unique habitat. Admission, group members £3.00, Visitors £3.50 to include coffee and biscuits.

A bumper harvest of autumn entertainment in Dorchester

THE AUTUMN 2016 season is set to be the busiest ever for Dorchester Arts, with 40 performances, two fundraisers and a top quality art exhibition between now and Christmas.

The music season kicks off on September 9th with the Frank Griffith Sextet and narrator Paul Lashmar telling the story of jazz legend Miles Davis in *Kind of Blue: Revisited*. The weekend of November 25th–27th is entitled *Dorchester Jazz*, and features

Joe Stilgoe, The Darius Brubeck Quartet, a children's jazz show and a series of pop-up jazz events around town. There's also a treat for Frank Sinatra fans when Robert Habermann brings his sell-out show *His Way* to Dorchester on September 23rd.

Folk is represented by the ever-popular Miranda Sykes and Rex Preston, and Southern Tenant Folk Union. The DA Blues series features Delta Blues from Catfish Keith (November 5th)

and local favourites The Producers (December 10th) and for those in search of big, boisterous sounds, look no further than The Blockheads (October 28th) and Mad Dog Mcrea (December 18th).

Seann Walsh, Jo Caulfield and Mark Steel will bring laughs aplenty, as will an irreverent look at Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales* on October 14th.

The Semblance exhibition (October 19th – November 4th) is a collaboration with London's Art Academy and will feature work by some of the UK's foremost portrait painters and sculptors.

The classical music season starts with an evening of Shakespeare-inspired opera on October 7th. In November two wonderful young performers are coming to town: 2014 BBC Young Musician winner Martin James Bartlett brings piano pyrotechnics to the Corn Exchange on November 2nd and Olwen Foulkes and Nathaniel Mander, two of the UK's finest young early-music players, play pieces

for recorder and harpsichord in the Town Hall on November 13th.

With thirteen performances, this is the busiest theatre season Dorchester has seen. The first three pieces all touch on health matters: *Me and My Friend* (Somerleigh Players) and *Every Brilliant Thing* (Paines Plough) look at the impact of mental health and local playwright Sue Wylie's *Kinetics* is a brave and brilliant work based on her own experience of Parkinson's. Like much good theatre, they are roller coasters of emotion and are as funny as they are moving.

December starts with the New Hardy Players *Under The Greenwood Tree*, and with comedy theatre from the outrageous *Living Spit*, *Romeo and Juliet* from Ballet Theatre UK, seasonal music from *Joglares* and a singalong *Frozen* fundraiser, there's something for all the family in the festive run-up.

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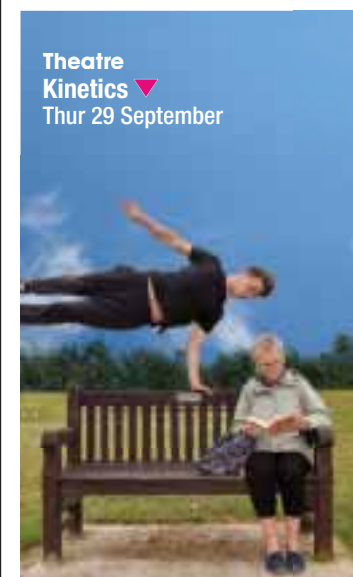
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5 TIPS FOR AN EXTERIOR MAKEOVER

1. If your home has a painted exterior, it won't stay looking good forever because the weather will take its toll. The easiest way to give the exterior a new look is to paint it a different colour, using a high-quality masonry paint. Even if you're happy with the existing colour, repainting it can work wonders. Discoloured, peeling and patchy paint isn't pretty or practical, and can lead to damage that's expensive to repair.

By Julia Gray, Press Association

roof and something to hold up the roof may suffice. Changing the windows and front door, or replacing an unsightly porch, can also make a big difference to the look of your home. If it's a period property with ugly modern windows, for example, fitting period-style windows will transform the exterior, and interior, and probably make it warmer and quieter too.



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2. While you can rarely be as adventurous with the colours you use on the outside of your home as the inside, you don't necessarily have to stick to white, cream or magnolia. However, you do need to consider what will go with your neighbours' houses, if there are any restrictions (such as planning ones) on the colours you can use, and what suits the style and period of the building.



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3. Having the exterior of your home rendered can really smarten it up, even if it's just the front. Coloured renders are available, so if you find a colour you like, you won't need to paint the render, saving time, effort and money. With modern-looking properties, wooden cladding (or faux wooden cladding) can work well, especially on the front.



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4. Another good way to improve the front of your home, especially if it's plain and lacking character, is to add a porch. The porch should, of course, be in keeping with the style of the building and needn't be elaborate - a small

5. Before you start changing the exterior, find out if there are any restrictions on what you can and can't do. Listed buildings usually can't be altered without obtaining listed building consent from the local council, for example. If you live on 'designated land', which includes conservation areas, you may not be able to do what you want with your home's exterior, or you may need planning permission, especially if your home's permitted development rights have been removed. Click on the porch, external walls, windows, etc, on the Interactive House at www.planningportal.co.uk to find out more.

PRODUCTS OF THE WEEK
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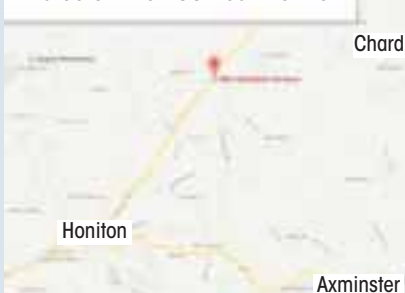
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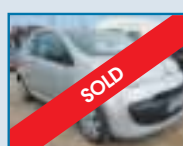
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Portland United football round-up

Blues defensive worries mounting for Bailey

Bashley 5 Portland United 2

Sydenhams Wessex Premier – att: 166

ALREADY suffering from the loss of captain Lewis Whyton from the centre of defence, Portland United manager Gary Bailey now has to contend with.

Injuries to Ed Bastick and Ross Doidge following Saturday's defeat at Bashley, and Sean Bessant after their midweek draw at Hamworthy United where Ross Carmichael also had to be withdrawn during the warm-up because of a chest infection has had a debilitating effect on the Blues defensive abilities.

Unfortunately the effect saw a second half performance against Bashley that brought stinging criticism from both Bailey and his assistant Mark Carter.

Carter said: "We dominated the first half, but a mad 15 minutes at the start of the second half when it looked like we had never played football before saw Bashley score three times, after which the lad's heads dropped. We were not happy with their attitude, and told the players afterwards that it was unacceptable."

Portland had started so well and took the lead on the half hour through Tom Richardson following good inter-change down the left between Chris Clarke and Jamie Beasley who had replaced Bastick on 20 minutes, who tweaked a hamstring. His pinpoint cross to the far post found Richardson, who deftly headed the ball back across goal and over keeper Joe Prodomo.

With keeper Ashley Weeks redundant and the Blues in total control they could have at least doubled their advantage. Ryan McKechnie was foiled by Prodomo

when put through in a one-on-one with the keeper, and then he delayed his pass after splitting the home defence.

Their failure to take their chances and take control of the game was emphasised just before the break when Bashley equalised, Kabba Jack reacting quickest when the ball hit Doidge in the stomach and fell nicely after an in-swinging corner was flicked on.

Two balls over the top of a square defence saw Jesse Gould and Jack finish clinically within nine minutes of the restart, but Richardson pulled one back just after the hour from close range following a corner to make it 3-2.

However, almost straight from the kick-off, the Portland defence was caught out by another ball over the top. Weeks rushed to claim it, but only succeeded in firing the ball against the chasing Carmichael leaving Gould free to roll it into an empty net.

The debacle was complete on 65 minutes when another through ball saw Doidge pull up as a pulled hamstring allowing Shane Sheridan to run on and score.

Portland will look to improve when they travel to face MONEYFIELD on Saturday followed by a League Cup first round tie at ANDOVER TOWN next Wednesday.

Two points dropped

HAMWORTHY UNITED 2 PORTLAND UNITED 2
Sydenhams Wessex Premier – att: tba

THE Bashley defeat followed a disappointing result against the Hammers at the County Ground last Tuesday on their new 3G surface.

Despite his willingness to play, it was obvious during the warm-up that Carmichael was struggling with a chest infection, which forced Bailey into a reshuffle.

However within 90 seconds Portland were ahead when Bastick was on hand to score when a long throw-in was flicked on.

The defensive situation deepened after 15 minutes however when Darren Watts in trying to play the ball back to Ashley Weeks, and Bessant looking to clear it, collided resulting in the later having to be substituted with a twisted knee.

Almost immediately, Steve Smith thumped the up-right with a cross shot with Weeks beaten.

Alex Halloran should have increased the visitor's lead before the break when through on goal but Hammers gloveman Tommy Scott produced a superb point blank save to thwart him.

The second half saw the hosts strike the woodwork again before Richardson in a rich vein of scoring at present put the Blues two up on 55 minutes with a far post tap in from Beasley's in-swinging corner that evaded everyone.

Carl McClements replaced Beasley soon after, and within 5 seconds should have put the game out of sight. A throw-in saw the ball played through to him in the centre of goal but he fired his shot straight at Scott.

The Hammers pulled on back with 15 minutes re-

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Sholing	6	5	12
Bemerton Heath Harlequins	6	1	11
Hordean	8	0	11
Amesbury Town	5	1	10
Lymington Town	7	3	9
Newport (IoW)	6	2	9
Fareham Town	6	1	9
Fawley	8	-9	9
AFC Portchester	5	1	6
Alresford Town	5	-4	6
Whitchurch United	6	-4	5
Bournemouth	8	-6	5
Cowes Sports	8	-8	5
Andover Town	6	-2	4
Team Solent	6	-6	4
Hamworthy United	5	-6	2
Verwood Town	6	-14	0

maining before Smith strolled through a static Blues defence to fire home the equaliser.

Carter said: "We had some good chances to have put this game to bed, particularly Carl's which would have sealed the game, but we didn't take advantage and they hit back to score and with their tails up went on to equalise. It really was two points dropped."

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(abandoned after 51 mins)
WEYMOUTH and Paulton Rovers had to do it all again last night when referee Lee Roberts called an end to this FA Cup first qualifying round game six minutes into the second half following heavy rain.

Although the official extended the half time break by five minutes in the hope that the conditions would improve and ground staff could reduce the amount of surface water, when the ball failed to run, he called a halt.

The game which started in light rain almost saw the Terras take an early lead when Rovers defender Joe Chandler's almost diverted his interception into his own net.

Then keeper Ed Baldy thwarted Ben Thomson, but in the 20th minute he put the hosts ahead when he latched on to Aaron Rodriguez's through pass to fire past Baldy.

Conditions worsening
As the rain got heavier, puddles began to appear, Rovers drew level. Dan Smith was penalised for a trip, and when Jordan Ricketts swung the free kick in, Chandler was on hand to thump his header past Dan Thomas for the equaliser.

However, as conditions worsened, Mr Roberts decided the pitch was unplayable and abandoned the game.

Football - Dorset League

Away teams hit goal trail as league gets underway

SENIOR LEAGUE

THE start of the new season saw Chickereil record a 5-1 home win over Poole Borough with their goals coming from Aaron Ryan (2), Chucky Haylor, Warren Wyke and Shane James. Boscombe Polonia and Piddletrenthide Spartans played out a 2-2 draw.

Corfe Mullen played host to Allendale and came away 3-2 winners. On target for Corfe were Mike Corbett and Jack McGann (2).

Jack Dalziel, James Quick, and Macaully Biddle were on target for Milborne Port as they won 3-2 against visitors Blandford Utd Reserves.

Shaftesbury Town Reserves won 7-4 away at Portland Utd Reserves. Portland's goals came from Paul Cole (2) Dean Taylor and Leon Atree.

DIVISION ONE

WAREHAM Rangers visited Portland Town and came out 8-1 winners. Elliott Gould scored for a well-beaten Portland.

Mere Town won 9-1 at Swanage where Sam Peacock bagged the lonely-looking consolation.

Two goals for Callum Goddard were enough for AFC Blandford to take the points away at Tisbury. Richard Jackman scored for Tisbury in the 2-1 defeat.

Corfe Castle hosted Canford Utd and won 4-2 with goals from Matt Suttle (2), Harry Smith and Courtney Johnstone. Lee Madgewick and Matt Muzzelle scored for the visitors.

Goals from Michael Collins, Ryan Loveless and Liam Egan were enough for Wool & Winfrith edge home 3-2 winners against Portland Utd Youth.

DIVISION TWO

FIVE goals from Will Turland, two for Liam Parsons and one each for James Moynehan James Driver and Dan O'Rourke saw hosts Broadmayne thrash Portland Town Reserves 10-2. Alex Counter scored both for Portland.

A Carl Fleet hat-trick and single from Jake Avery saw Allendale Res win 4-2 at home to Overmoigne. Kevin Price scored both for the visitors.

Daryl Bagwell and Elliott Byerley were on target with Adam Charlton replying as Piddlehinton beat visiting Chickereil United Reserves 2-1.

Sturminster Newton came home with all three points after a 4-1 win at Portesham.

DIVISION THREE

SOUTH Cheriton were another of the day's big winners on road. The Cherries crushed AFC Blandford Reserves, Charlie Owens scored for the hosts.

Okeford Utd defeated visiting Donhead 3-1 with strikes from Chris Wareham (2) Jamie Bugler.

Adam Day and Jack Leonard were on target for Handley Sports as they beat visitors Marnhull 2-0.

Allendale A visited Pimperne Sports and came out on top 5-4 in the thriller. Billy Island (2) John Saunders and Mike Shepherd netted for Pimperne.

DIVISION FOUR

Jake McCarthy Dylan Ackerman and Matt Stickland helped Chickereil to a 3-0 victory over Crossways Spitfires.

The away-day goal-glut continued at

Shillingstone where visitors Marnhull Reserved cruised to a 10-1 win. Steve Wright scored for Shillingstone.

Portland Town B beat visitors Lytchett 2-0 while a brace for Karl White and one for Ben Tattersell was enough for Swanage RBL to take all three points against their visitors Corfe Castle Reserves.

Results for Saturday, September 3rd

Senior League

Boscombe Polonia 2-2 Piddletrenthide Spartans
Chickereil United 5-1 Poole Borough
Corfe Mullen United 3-2 Allendale
Dorchester Sports Reserves A-A Witchampton Utd
Milborne Port 3-2 Blandford United Reserves
Portland United Res 4-7 Shaftesbury Town Res
League Division One
Balti Sports Reserves A-A Weymouth A
Corfe Castle 4-2 Canford United
Portland Town 1-8 Wareham Rangers Res
Swanage & Herston Res 1-9 Mere Town Res
Tisbury 1-2 AFC Blandford
Wool & Winfrith 3-2 Portland Utd Youth
League Division Two
Allendale Reserves 4-2 Overmoigne
Broadmayne 10-2 Portland Town Res
Piddlehinton Utd 2-1 Chickereil Utd Res
Portesham Utd 1-4 Sturminster Newton Utd Res

League Division Three

AFC Blandford Res 1-9 South Cheriton Utd
Corfe Mullen Utd Res A-A Wool & Winfrith Res
Handley Sports 2-0 Marnhull
Okeford United 3-1 Donhead Utd
Pimperne SS 4-5 Allendale A
League Division Four
Chickereil Utd A 3-0 Crossways Spitfires
Portland Town B 2-0 Lytchett & Upton RT
Shillingstone 1-10 Marnhull Reserves
Swanage RBL 3-2 Corfe Castle Res

Yeovil Town

Glovers trust AGM update

THE Interim Board of Directors of the Yeovil Town Football Club Supporters Society (Glovers Trust) are pleased to be in a position to provide a further update on the forthcoming Annual General Meeting, during which voting will take place for the first democratically elected Trust Board.

With the Trust now fully established and boasting over 300 members, the Interim Trust Board have, with support of an independent Election Working Party – Augusta Westland Apprentices and Students Association, collated Trust Board nominations and finalised the processes attributed to the elections.

Please note that due to circumstances beyond the control of the Glovers Trust, the venue for the AGM has changed.

The meeting will now take place at the Yeovil Labour Club, Unity Hall, Central Road, Yeovil, BA20 1JL.

The date and time of the meeting remains as initially planned – Wednesday, September 14th at 7.30pm.

With the nomination period having elapsed, it has been confirmed that there will be 13 Trust members standing for election to the first Glovers Trust Board of Directors.

A Trust spokesman said: "The Trust was conceptually proposed in October 2015 at a time when Yeovil Town Football Club were facing the prospect of relegation from the Football League.

Many of the Yeovil Town supporters in attendance felt that the club had lost much of the support and goodwill of the area that has historically supported it.

"Following a further meeting to discuss the potential benefits and a near unanimous vote of over 325 supporters in January, Glovers Trust was born.

"The aim is to create an independent, regulated body that represents the voice of Yeovil Town supporters irrespective of location, with the collective power to influence positive changes and support, where identified in the operation of Yeovil Town Football Club."

Lyme Skittles

OPENING League fixtures
Wednesday, Sept 14th
 Alleytwits v British Legion,
 Shakers v Miscellaneous.
Friday, September 16th
 Anthill Mob v Flyers, Clueless v Wreckers, Trappers v Young Guns, No Hoppers v Rousdon Rebels, Tornados v President's Men.
Wednesday, Sept 21st
 Shakers v Alleytwits, President's Men v British Legion.
Friday, September 23rd
 Anthill Mob v Clueless, Rousdon Rebels v Flyers, No Hoppers v Marksman, Wreckers v Trappers, Roadrunners v Tornados.
Monday, September 26th
 Wootton Wobblers v La Crème, Hot Gossips v Skittso's, Rollercoasters v Generations, Wild Pins v Smashers.
Wednesday, Sept 28th
 Clueless v Flyers, No Hoppers v Young Guns.
Friday, September 30th
 Rousdon Reb v Marksman, Anthill Mob v Trappers, Shakers v British Legion, Miscellaneous v Tornados, President's Men v Roadrunners.
Monday, October 3rd
 Wootton Wobblers v Hot Gossips, La Crème v Smashers, Generations v Wild Pins.
Tuesday, October 4th
 President's Men v Shakers.
Wednesday, October 5th
 No Hoppers v Wreckers, Clueless v Rousdon Rebels.
Thursday, October 6th
 Skittso's v Rollercoasters.
Friday, October 7th
 Alleytwits v Tornados, Miscellaneous v Roadrunners, Flyers v Trappers, Marksman v Young Guns.

Rallying

Good result for local duo

DESPITE suffering a bent tea axle at the beginning of the final stage, Rex Ireland and co-driver Adrian Scadding still finished a very creditable 10th overall and second in class in the Red Dragon Rally last month.

The 35-mile course around the Walters Motorsport complex in the valley of Neath was the sixth round of the Mintex MSA British Historic Rally Championship.

On a very wet day they battled their way up from 18th after the first stage and their top ten finish on stage five saw them clinch 10th position overall, just 3.18 minutes behind the winners Nick Elliott and Dave Price, and just two minutes adrift of class winners Steve Bennett and Paul Spooner.

Their mishap happened just 30 seconds after the start of the stage where they slid off the road.

The West Dorset duo didn't realise that the rear axle was damaged until they got home.

It meant they had to miss the Woodpecker Rally at Ludlow last Saturday whilst they rebuilt the rear axle, but will be in action again at the end of the month when they travel to Compton and Dalby forests in Yorkshire which involves both night and day time stages.

Motor Sport

Hill climbers head for Wiscombe

HAVING raced a road-going Caterham 7 for a couple of seasons Honiton's Dave Gardner is now back in the forefront of south west hill climbing following the acquisition of a Pilbeam MP62 single-seater racing car in which he made his debut at Wiscombe Park at the weekend.

Gardner, who enjoyed success in a Cosworth V8 powered Pilbeam MP58 in partnership with John Forsyth a few seasons ago, treated the two events at the East Devon venue as an opportunity to assess the two-litre Vauxhall powered machine and to become acclimatised to the performance differential of the purpose-built car.

The latter part of the Saturday meeting certainly hampered the intended programme as heavy rain descended on the Colyton area and Gardner decided there

was little to be achieved by taking to a soaking wet track in a car that he was not familiar with.

The following day offered two practice runs prior to two official climbs in greatly improved weather conditions which not only allowed the learning curve to be advanced but climaxed with a second place finish in the 1600cc to 2000cc racing car class behind Kilminster's Ben Wheeler at the wheel of his supercharged Suzuki powered DSP.

Wheeler, who had taken a second place in the class the previous day, chased former Wiscombe Park Champion and British Leaders Championship victor Mike Lee in a battle for the Fastest Time of the Day.

Ottery St Mary driver James Hudson was one of two local drivers who took a brace of wins over the two-day meeting.

◆ **BACK IN A SINGLE-SEATER:** Dave Gardner brushes past the corner markers in his Pilbeam MP62.



At the wheel of his self-purchased Volkswagen Golf GTi, the vehicle technician secured his first win over Honiton's

Andrew Thomson in his Vauxhall Nova by a margin of over one second whilst his second victory was achieved against the Lotus Elise 111s of golf coach Jonathan Langmead. This time the margin was just over one third of a second.

The other double success of the weekend went to James Gibson from Sidmouth who has taken a number of wins this season in the up to 1100cc Racing car category. Now in his second season with the OMS Hornet the former motorcycle competitor defeated the more contemporary Empire 00 of Gregory Barton.

Messrs Hudson, Gardner, Wheeler and Gibson will be back on track at Wiscombe Park on Saturday for the final qualifier of the Bridge Tyres and Wheels Wiscombe Park Championship.

This will be run as part of the MG Car Club event with an entry of 145 cars, including a selection of MGs ranging from the 1933 L1 of Andrew Morland through Midgets and MG Bs to the TF160 of 2002.

The following day the National Hill Climb Association make their annual visit to Wiscombe Park with a qualifying round of the national championships for motorcycles.

A wide selection of solo machines as well as sidecars will compete for the qualify for the Top ten Run-off when the fastest 10 competitors will take to the track to battle for championship positions.

Heading the entry will be the reigning national champion Paul Jeffery on his KTM SMR who will have to fend off the challenge from seven of the 2015 top 10 riders.



◆ **DOUBLE VICTOR:** James Hudson takes his Volkswagen Golf GTi through Wis Corner.

Lyme Regis Sailing Club

Good youth turnout enjoy excellent regatta

THE second Youth Regatta was held recently in ideal conditions attracting 26 entries in two groups sailing different courses.

Half with in the 'Oppie beginners' and 13 of the more experienced sailors in a mixed handicap class.

A slight delay while the breeze filled in was no disadvantage and both groups completed three races.

Fresh from a very commendable 12th place in the RS Nationals where he competed with his father, Darrol, Cameron Moss crewed by Max Helston won all three of their races to take the Gold Fleet.

Natasha Dower headed the Silver Fleet in a Pico, narrowly beating 10-

year-old Simon Law by one point. In the Oppies, visitor Freddie Callaghan led with two firsts, followed by Henry Birchall (1st and 2nd) after the discard of the lowest score was counted.

Alice Clark, Sam Peattie and Ed Stubbs had consistent placings in the first four.

The young sailors were presented with club mugs by Commodore Jerry Rook, who said: "We are delighted that the success of the day is a good indicator of the popularity of the event which we intend to continue in future to encourage our young sailors."

Their ages were from 9 to 18, showing



◆ **FIRST SPOT:** Handicap class winners Max Helston (left) and Cameron Moss (right) with club Commodore Jerry Rook.

ing the strength of our youth section and a credit to the dedication of their mentors and trainers.

"More youth members are now taking part in club racing and are keen to sail with our best helms when given the chance of the experience."

With shifty, gusty winds once more, and a fairly calm sea, Race Officer Alan Tyler reported very close racing in the three in the Late Summer Series races on Sunday.

Jerry Rook (Albacore) now leads with a first and a fourth, pushing Cameron and Darrol Moss into second place, while single-handers Andy Robinson (Solo) and Dave Guthrie (Phantom) lie fourth and

fifth, separated by a significant discard difference.

Progress in nationals

Meanwhile, Alan & Chrissey Tyler won the French National Championships and came fifth in the Fireball Europeans.

Cameron & Darrol Moss improved their placing at the RS800 National Championships with an outstanding 12th this year, leading the Silver Fleet and beaten overall only by the big names in the class.

Next year, they will be promoted to the Gold fleet.

Jerry Rook & Jake Stow came 4th at the Albacore National Championships.

Yeovil Town

Way rhetoric cuts no ice

Yeovil Town 0
 Blackpool 3

YEovil Town were as abysmal as the weather as they served up one of the most disappointing performances seen at Huish Park for a long time against Blackpool writes Stuart Broom.

Manager Darren Way has done wonders since taking over in December steering the club away from life in non-league football, and his positive pre-season comments appeared to be justified with an opening day victory over Notts County, followed by winning at Walsall in the EFL, and a superb point at Luton Town who had started the season with resounding victories over Plymouth Argyle and Aston Villa.

Since then the sparkle has gone. Four defeats on the trot - conceding ten goals in the process - was followed by a hollow victory over Portsmouth in the Checkatrade Trophy, none of whom's players featured in their previous league victory at Exeter three days earlier.

Despite a goalless first half, the Tangerines were by far the better side.

They wanted the ball so much more than the Glovers, as was shown by Kyle Vassell's frustration in being penalised so often for his enthusiastic approach, that eventually led to a yellow card.

Where was the sharp passing and surging runs of the opening game of the season?

Balls were lumped up to new signing Izale McLeod, who was so ineffective you wouldn't know he was playing, and Tom Eaves playing in tandem with him, who was obviously for his lack of ball control.

Matt Dolan tried hard in midfield to get his side going, and Nathan Smith once again excelled at centre back.

Artur Krysiac, and Matt Butcher to an extent, did what was asked of them, but the rest did not turn up on the day, making it easy picking for a Blackpool side who themselves were no great shakes.

The game's one bright spot was Colin Daniels' first goal, a spectacular 30-yard thunderbolt that ripped past Krysiac into the top corner.

Dolan was then unlucky with a curling free kick that keeper Sam Slocombe just managed to turn over the crossbar.

It will be interesting to see if this is just a one off, and that Way can get them back to the form at the beginning of August.

If he can't, and with the loan window now firmly closed, it is going to be a hard long winter for Glovers fans on this display, and no positive media talk from him is going to help.

◆ **EDGED OUT:** Runners up in the Gold fleet, Max Whittome, (centre) and Chet Gillespie (right).

Bridport & West Dorset Golf Club

Medal brings out best of Bridport

THERE were some excellent scores in Sunday's Men's SEPTEMBER MEDAL, the highlights being eight sub-70 nett scores.

Sixty-six was the lowest score and one of those was carded by club captain Ian Kearley who won Division Two.

Sixty-six was also the best score in Division One and this was Gavin Gay's winning score - his 75 was also the lowest gross.

There were just six entrants in that division and four of those came in with nett scores in the 60s.

Terry Cleal topped Division Three with a nett 67. Another highlight was a hole-in-one at the 6th by Martin Horton in Division Two. This is the best hole at Bridport to score an 'ace' because players have a bird's eye view of the event from the cliff-top.

Results - Division One; 1st Gavin Gay 75-9=66. 2nd Marc Harwood 80-12=68. 3rd (acb) Peter Marshall 77-8=69.

Division Two; 1st Ian Kearley 81-15=66. 2nd Patrick Hart 80-13=67. 3rd Bryn Dare 83-15=68.

Division Three; 1st Terry Cleal 88-21=67. 2nd (acb) Nathan Dunford 89-19=70. 3rd Michael Huxford 94-24=70.

Kearley received a two shot handicap cut, Gay, Hart, Cleal & Dunford received one shot cuts. The JUNIOR MEDAL was won by Patrick Harper (77-9=68).

On Bank Holiday Monday there were only 11 male entrants for a MIXED STABLEFORD.

Junior Patrick Harper (10) with 38 points beat his older rivals with Chris Adams (16) runner-up scoring 36 and Keith Hicks (19) came third after count-back with 34.

Harper's handicap was reduced by one stroke.

Veterans Section

ON Wednesday the veterans held their INVITATION OPEN Championship, a 4BBB off 90 percent of handicap and 88 men entered representing 31 clubs from far and wide.

Sandwiched between two warm days the weather was cloudy and, thanks to a brisk breeze blowing off the sea, decidedly chilly.

There were five prizes and the winning team was; Phil Dowell from Bridport accompanied by Mike Sandy from Sherborne scoring 45 points.

Results - 1st Phil Dowell (B) & Mike Sandy (Sherborne) 45, 2nd Martin Drennan (B) & Paul Millard (Lyme Regis) 43, 3rd P Huggins (B)

& Richard Powell (Woburn) 42, 4th Malcolm Noble (B) & Brian Nicholson (Test Valley) 41, 5th (acb) Roy Gill (B) & Nick Francis (Lyme Regis) 40.

The following day the vets held their own competition which was also a 4BBB but off full handicap.

This time the weather was sunny and warm and, judging by the high scores, was enjoyed by the 56 entrants. Twenty-one of the 28 teams carded scores in the 40s and winners Peter Marshall & Dudley Rose carded a fine 49 points.

Results: 1st Peter Marshall (B) & Dudley Rose (28) 49 points. 2nd Allan Harvey (17) & Alan Bentley (25) 47. 3rd Bob Dennis (21) & Roy Gill (14) 46. 4th Dave Rendell (18) & Trevor Foster (26) 45. 5th Mike McGrady (17) & Chris Roberts (21) 44.

Ladies Section by Di Neal

BOTH of our days last week were wonderful for golf with sunshine, little wind and dry fairways all resulting in some really good scores.

Saturday saw a qualifying



◆ **WELL DONE:** Phil Dowell and Mike Sandy are presented with their prizes by veterans' captain Keith Brown after their victory in the Invitation Open.

Stableford and the winner in the clubhouse was Sally Woolmington with 35 points closely followed by Liz Walker on 34 with Liz Thompson third carding 31.

Tuesday brought a drawn greensome, scores; 1st Pauline Mackie & Heather Boyle 32

points, 2nd Lyn Hargrave & Liz Thompson 30 ocb from 3rd Sue Walsh & Lyn Jessopp also 30, but with 2 less points on the back nine.

A friendly played on Friday friendly at Honiton resulted in a draw.

Bridport Bowls

Ladies inching closer to title

BRIDPORT Ladies remain on course to claim the Dorset League Division One title after victory at LYME REGIS.

In a topsy-turvy game, Frances Hewitt, Sheila Jones, Alison Tibble & Margaret Clapp had a magnificent 34-13 win, but this was countered a heavy 12-27 defeat for Lynn Craddock, Mary Eastman, Laura Taylor & Pat Cornick. However, with Pamela Daters, Marion Carter, Rosemary Brooks & Melodie Watts winning 23-19, it gave Bridport the overall win 69-59 and eight points.

With Blandford also scoring eight points it leaves Bridport still top by a single point with two games to play.

The Ladies are also through to the semi-final of the **June Culpin Cup**. They beat DORCHESTER 45-35 after being well behind at 10 ends, and will now contest the semi and hopefully, final, which is being staged at Priory Lane this Friday.

It will be a busy weekend for the ladies as they are also represented in the county pairs, triples and fours finals to be held at Lyme Regis on Saturday and Sunday.

Unfortunately, an injury to Clapp has meant she won't be able to play in the pairs with Hewitt and it may have to be postponed, whilst a replacement will have to be found for her in the fours where Hewitt, Tibble & Watts will also face POOLE PARK.

The East Dorset club will also be the opponents in the final of the triples where Daters, Brooks & Watts will be looking to make it a hat-trick for Bridport.

Bridport lost 44-65 in the friendly against CREWKERNE with Harry Gray, John Carter, Michael Craddock & Fred Pomeroy the top rink.

Lyme Regis Golf

BeauChamps indeed!

IT was a good week for the Beauchamp family as husband Colin won DIVISION ONE of the AUGUST STABLEFORD with 40 points. This was based on a wonderful front nine which yielded 24 points and included an eagle two on the 9th.

Second was the evergreen Bob Taylor who held his nerve to score well on the back nine to beat Tristan Wakeley on countback, both with 37 points.

But Star of the day, and winner of DIVISION TWO was Shane Stone with a scorching 44 points. After scoring 21 points on the front nine, Shane helped himself to seven nett birdies on his way to 23 points on the back nine to record the best score of the day. Chris Brice, 39, and John Cleal 38, finished 2nd and 3rd respectively with very respectable scores.

After success for the juniors last week it was the turn of the more senior members to win the MIDWEEK STABLEFORD as Rob Clapp continued his good run to win with 39 points with Gareth Williams just pipping Brian Rees on countback, both with 37 points.

DiVISION ONE of the Ladies SEPTEMBER MEDAL was won by Kim Beauchamp whose nett 69, based on an excellent front 9, and a solid par back nine, continued her steady improvement and ensured a good week for the family. Jean Jolley, nett 72, just beat Diane Harris, 73, into 2nd place.

Elaine Colman had a sub par round as she recorded a nett 71 to emphatically win DIVISION TWO from 2nd Ronny Turner, nett 77 and Linda Richmond 3rd nett 78.

In addition to the medal, Jean Jolley won the Silver Division and Linda Richmond the bronze of the PARHAM CUP. Kim completed the Beauchamp week by winning the LGU BROOCH competition.

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Bridport FC

Back-to-back defeats ends Bees honeymoon

Merley Cobham Sports 2 Bridport Res 0

Dorset Premier League

STARTING in warm, sunny conditions on Saturday Bridport Reserves were well in control of this game at half time although it was still goalless.

However the torrential rain that began to fall towards half time was the undoing of the Bees.

Having discussed the situation at the interval and the need to play to the conditions, they conceded two goals which manager Shaun Annetts felt should have been dealt with.

"We spoke about defending the conditions as by then the ball was zipping around in heavy rain on what was still a hard surface, but in the first 20 minutes two balls we should have just defended 'ugly, we allowed to go under our feet'."

The first resulted in Billy Fleet bringing down Joe Dawe as he tried to round him. Former Dorchester Town and Weymouth Matt Groves coolly slotted home from the penalty spot.

Soon after the Bees defence failed to deal with a similar situation and when Groves diagonal ball was missed, Sammy Elliott was on hand to run through and neatly fire home.

Annetts added: "To go from being level but in control at halftime to two goals down inside 20 minutes was disappointing, although we had the chances to have taken a point."

Defensive frailties

"It would be very easy to undo what has been a very good pre-season and first three or four games, so we have to bounce back."

"Both the goals we conceded were defendable and avoidable and were errors I think we could have done something about, which is frustrating."

Bridport Reserves 0 Balti Sports 2

Dorset Premier League

DESPITE a stirring second half performance last Tuesday evening, two first half goals were enough for Balti Sports to leapfrog by Bridport Reserves into second place and ruin the Bees perfect start to the season.

Balti started well and only a great block from Luke King prevented Ricky Lane giving the visitors the lead in the 13th minute.

However, two minutes later the hosts didn't close down captain Danny Andrews and his 30-yard shot flew beyond Billy Fleet clipping the underside of the crossbar on it's way into the net.

Bridport responded with a couple of menacing attacks, but Lane should have doubled the advantage on 20 minutes when he beat Fleet in a race to a through ball, but he blazed the ball over the top from 10 yards.

Balti were not giving an inch, and Josh Burton was spoken to for ungentlemanly conduct when Bridport looked threatening.

Lane's flick-on gave Chris Reader an opportunity to double the lead but he volleyed just over on the half hour, before Bridport created their best chance of the half but Josh Hunter's curling cross just evaded Dom McAllister.

Andrews showed how it should be done at the other end when he popped up unmarked at the far post to fire home after Fleet had done well to parry Lane's angled volley away.

With the personnel available manager Shaun Annetts started with a Christmas tree formation, but changed to a more conventional formation at the break with the introduction of Tristan Gale for McAllister.

Hobbs and Simon Dowling. Rod had a comfortable lead but Simon finished with a four and three to pip Rod to the winning post 21-19.

Results

Dorset Ladies Division One

Lyme Regis 59 Bridport 69; J Moffitt, C Pomeroy, S Rowe, A Allman 13-34; H Dowling, C Barber, L Broom, N Stephens 19-23; A Rattenbury, J Bishop, J Parsons, P Weech 27-12.

Lyme Regis 138 Coventry & District 93; D Read, J Hare, S Bond, Chas Barber 30-13; A Foster, P Stephens, J Beadsley, A Preece 19-

But in the opening two minutes Chris Kenderdine fired two Balti efforts over the top from range.

Bridport soon settled and, following two successive corners, King hooked the ball against the crossbar from close range.

The game began to get more frenetic as a sea mist descended reducing visibility and Oscar Preece's near post stab struck Fleet and the upright, before the Bees keeper made a good stop with his legs when Andrews was put in by Preece.

As the game ebbed and flowed the tackles became fiercer and, with 14 minutes left, Shane Evans was red carded for a tackle from behind, although Lane escaped punishment for throwing Gale to the ground.

Despite a being man short, Bridport continued to attack, and Balti keeper Andy Nott did well to push Hunter's header onto the angle of the goal frame before it was scrambled clear.

In the last minute Andrews was unlucky not to complete his hat trick when he broke through on the right. His low shot beat Fleet but thumped against the base of the upright.

In an entertaining game Balti were worthy winners and on this form look to be strong title contenders this season.

Annetts whilst taking blame for his first half formation, felt his side could have done better with the goals, he said: "I take full responsibility for the starting formation which clearly didn't work, although I think we had opportunities to prevent both goals."

"However, we regrouped at half time, and the second half was much better, I cannot fault my players for their effort."

Big weekend ahead

THIS coming weekend the Club is hosting the DORSET LADIES COUNTY FINALS.

The cream of Dorset's players will be competing, in various events, to be crowned Dorset champions. This will be a fine spectacle over two days for anyone who may be interested in coming down to watch.

Indoor Bowls

Evening League still up for grabs

WITH the Pugalists and Divers both winning it is still all to play for at the top of the Evening League.

Norman Eccles, Eric White & Martin Wilton's Pugalists beat Equestrians 14-6 whilst the Divers; Keith Peraux, Erica Sarson & Hugh Rees matched them with a 13-8 victory over Rowers.

Although Maureen Hicks, Geoff Hansen & Mike Fletcher's Hurdles leapt to third after a 14-13 win over the Decathletes, they are five points adrift of the joint leaders with just three games remaining.

Tracey Marley, Chas Clarke & Kevin Moys' Archers beat the Gymnasts 19-8, whilst Lyn and Peter Sandall & Andy Marsh's Cyclists picked up a one count on the final end to beat the unfortunate Wrestlers 16-15.

Penny and Robin Pither & Darren Simpson's Swimmers ended the Fencers' hopes of honours, winning 13-9.

Meanwhile, Brian Baker, Nova Varney & Martin Wilton's Gunners maintained their two point lead at the top of the **Morning League** with a 19-8 win over the Magpies, but Sylvia and Mike Fletcher & Mel Hargett's Canaries are ready to pounce after a 9-8 win over the Spurs, effectively ending their opponents' challenge for a top two spot.

The Red Devils of Pat Waters, Peter Hunt & Reg Dodd's could still catch the top two after 1,4 finish gave them a 14-8 win over the Toffees.

Elsewhere, Mike Parsons and Rose & Chris Everest's Glovers are now fourth after outpacing the Pensioners 17-5, and Gordon Lee, Len Guppy & Bob Hill's Hammers smashed Potters 11-8.

Finally, Margaret Field, Roger Cowmeadow & John Davies's Cherries finished 1, 2 to grab a 11-11 draw with Cliff Pitcher, Penny Pither & Phil Benton's Foxes.

Nags Head Darts

Table	Pld	Pts
Mark Fisher	30	53
Matt Yarrow	32	51
Tony Prowse	30	49
Terry Young	28	44
Ryan Cross	31	43
Merv Wakeley	29	41
Dan Shakespeare	30	41
Ray Powell	30	40
Flyn Jones	30	38
Mark Barnett	28	34
Rob Millward	30	33
Tom Bond	30	27
Andy Reid	31	22
Chris Higgins	31	21
Mike Durrant	34	15
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